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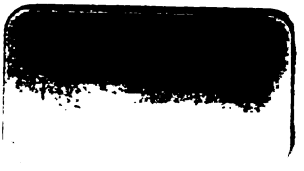

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APRIL 8, 1793 TO MAY 30, 1796

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[1] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of April 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P Van Zandt
John Campbell
Gabriel Furman
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Wynant Van Zandt
Theophilus Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

Frederick Stymets
Garret Harsen
Mangel Minthorne
Tobias Van Zandt
} Assistts

A Petition from the Inhabitants in Warren Street praying an alteration in the Survey or Regulation of that Street was read.

Thereupon ordered that an alteration in the Survey of the said Street be made so that the said Street be lowered 2 feet 10 Inches at Great George Street and thence to ascend one Inch on 10 feet until it meets the Surfice.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of King George Street complaining of certain Nuisances in the said Street occasioned by some vacant Lots was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Sculthorpe praying the appointment of Persons to view his Lot in Gold Street whether it is capable of sustaining a Building [2] of Brick or Stone & covered with Slate or Tile was read and John Stagg George Gosman, Robert Gosman John Moore & John Day were appointed accordingly

The Street Committee reported the following Regulation of Water Street from Pecks Slip to St James Slip; which was agreed to by the Board.

"The East Kennel at Pecks Slip to be raised 1 foot and thence to ascend to the Distance of 436 feet 1½ Inch on 10 feet. Thence with a Descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the distance of 330 feet to Roosevelt Street. Thence to ascend 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the distance of 80 feet. And thence to decend 1½ Inch on 10 feet to St James Slip. Accordingly it must be raised at Dover Street 2 feet. At the said Distance of 436 from Pecks Slip which is the highest Ground 5 feet 5 Inches At the Angle at Aldn Beekmans House 2 feet. At Roosevelt Street and St James Slip to remain as they are."

Estimates & Assessments for the filling in & raising St James Street

Fayette Street Rutgers Street and Battavia Lane and the Lots bounded on those Streets respectively were read and ratified by the Board and Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies in the said Assessments mentioned [3] and to superintend the filling in and raising of the said Streets and Lots accordingly

Ordered that the Committee on the purchase of Ground for the opening of Franckfort Street into Queens Street purchase from Mr Augustus Van Cortlandt such of his Ground as may be necessary to open the said Street

Ordered that James Campbell be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood vice Christopher Stymets resigned

Ordered that Robert Dougall be appointed an Inspector of Charcoal And that so much of the Ordinance respecting Charcoal as confines the Inspection thereof to the Inspectors of fire Wood be repealed.

Ordered that Alsop Hunt be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 18 vice Christopher Lott resigned And Thomas Ross to Hook & Ladder Company No 2 vice James Russel resigned.

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay James Culbertson for his Compy City Watch ..... £38:17:—

[4] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th April 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman	Esqrs Alds	Garrit Harsen	Assists
Gabriel Furman		Mangel Minthorne	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		George Janeway	
Peter P Van Zandt			

A Petition of Henry M Van Solingen for permission to make a Vault under the Street at the side of his House fronting the Old Slip was read & granted provided it [be] made under the Inspection of the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward

A Representation of John B Coles setting forth that he had lately built a Vault under the Street in front of his House in little Dock Street, not knowing that [it] was necessary & proper to have obtained previous permission from the Board and praying that the Board would not take Umbrage at his Conduct but permit him [5] to continue the said Vault in it's present State was read & granted

A Petition from several Young Gentlemen composing a Law Society was read.

Ordered that they be permitted to participate in the use of the Room in the City Hall lately granted to the Uranian Society until the further order of this Board.

Ordered that Aldⁿ Beekman & Campbell & Mʳ Minthorne be a Committee to enquire into and Report whether Medcef Eden has not encroached on the Common Lands.

The Clerk produced to the Board the Draft of a Grant of a Water Lot to George Bowne & on examining the Map it appears that certain of the Water Lots between Burlings & Beekmans Slips are laid out to carry their full breadth into the River while others of them diminish in their breadth considerably Whereupon it was ordered that the Surveyor make an actual Survey of the Lots between those two Slips & that they be so laid out as that each Lot bear it's proportion of the loss as they advance into the River.

[6] Ordered that Ordinances be prepared for erecting the Drain or Common Sewer for conveying the Water from Roosevelt Street into the River; and for the paving of Water Street from Pecks Slip to Sᵗ James Slip; and Pecks Slip Street from Queen Street to the River

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Alexʳ Lamb for his Compʸ of Watchⁿ.....	£38:17:—
issued	Willson Rawson for Lamp Oil.....	£319: 6:10
issued	Edmund Prior for the like.....	£197: 5: 2
issued	Wᵐ J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests.....	£27:—:—
issued	John Goodeve for Candles.....	£2: 5:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22ᵈ day of April 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqʳ Recorder

John Campbell Theophilus Beekman Peter P Van Zandt Wynant Van Zandt Gabriel Furman Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ	Anthony Post Mangel Minthorne Christopher Stymets Garret Harsen George Janeway	Assistᵗˢ

A proposition of James Watson to render more uniform the line of the Ground by him lately purchased on [7] Whitehall & Copsey Streets with a Map or Survey of the Lines by him proposed was read & referred to the Committee on Improvements at the Battery.

An Estimate & Assessment for filling in the Lots on the West side of Catharine Street And an Estimate & Assessment for digging out Catharine Street were respectively read & ratified by the Board And Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessments and to superintend the filling in of the said Lots & the digging out of the said Street

Ordered that Thomas Duggan be permitted to lead a private Drain into the Main Drain of Broad Street

A Request of John Watts Esq^{r} for permission to plant Trees in front of his House in Broad Way was read & granted under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assistant of the Ward

Ordered that the Surveyor make a proper Plan or Survey of the Land & Meadows at and about the *fresh Water Pond with the Streets which may be necessary marked thereon.

Ordinances for the making and constructing of a Drain or Common Sewer to convey the Water of Roosevelt Street into the River, And for paving Water Street from Pecks Slip to S^{t} James Slip; [8] were respectively read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

	Stagg & Gosman for paving in front of the Lot of Elizth Mc Clanagan in Broad Street & Garden Street..	£6: 2:—
issued	in front of a Lot of Benj^{a} Booth in Market field Street and in front of a Lot of John Silvester dec^{d} in Garden Street	£3: 6: 9 £3: 8: 2
issued	James Culbertson for his Company of City Watchmen..	£39:17:—
issued	George Janeway for Repairs to the Gaol.....	£18: 6:11

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th April 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Nicholas Carmer	Assist^{s}
Nicholas Bayard		Garret Harsen	
John Campbell		Anthony Post	
Peter P Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorne	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	
Theoph^{s} Beekman			
Wynant Van Zandt			

A Petition of George Merrels to sink a Well partly on Greenwich Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

[9] A Petition of a considerable number of Masters of Albany & other River Vessels complaining of the want of a safe Bason at the

*Marginal note reads *Collect.*—Ed.

North River & recommending the making of one at the Slip opposite to Thames & Little Queen Streets was read and referred to Aldn Stoutenburgh, Furman & Beekman & Messrs Harsen and Stymets.

On reading a petition of the Inhabitants of Barley Street praying an Ordinance for digging out that Street Ordered that an ordinance be prepared for digging out the said Street from the West side of Little Chapel Street to the rear of Aldn Campbells Lot 103 feet from Great George Street.

On a representation of some Defects in the Roof of the City Hall and that it is become leaky Ordered that Aldn Furman & Messrs Stymets & Post be a Committee to inspect into the matter & to direct such Repairs as may be necessary.

Ordered that the name of the Street called Copsey Street, beginning at the White Hall and passing round by the Govt House to Kenndy's Lane or Slip, be changed to State Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Gerrit Van Denbergh for Repairs to Roads.....	£20:19:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for his Compy of City Watch.....	38:17:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	50: 5:—
issued	Saml Edmonds for Lamp Oil.....	73: 6:10
issued	James Dickson for Repairs to Cathn Slip ferry Stairs..	0:14:—
issued	Geo. Dominick for Plank for Do.....	0:19:—

[10] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 6th day of May 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Wynant Van Zandt Theophilus Beekman John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman Peter P Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Anthony Post Mangel Minthorne George Janeway Frederick Stymets	Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members proceeded to visit & inspect the State of the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell and being returned the Committee of Accts reported that they had examined & audited the Books & Accts, with their respective Vouchers, of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell and found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House for the last Quarter amounting to..	£1285: 1:10
Of the Bridewell to.....	238:16:11¼

An Estimate of the Commissioners for the ensuing Quarter was read & agreed to viz^{t}

For the Alms House	**£1600:—:—**
For the Bridewell	200:—:—

issued Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasurer for the payment thereof accordingly.

[11] A Petition of Gilbert Van Mater to lease part of the Corporation Land at Brooklyn was read & referred to Ald^{n} W Van Zandt & Beekman & M^{r} Janeway who are also to enquire into and report what Improvements are necessary there.

A Petition of W^{m} Luce to insert a private Drain into the Main Drain or Common Sewer in Broad Street was read & granted under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward.

An Ordinance for the digging out Barley Street was read & passed by the Board.

A Estimate and Assessment for the opening and continuing Roosevelt Street to the River.

The like for the raising of Roosevelt & the Lots adjoining on each side.

And the like for the raising of Bancker Street & the Lots on each side.

were respectively read & ratified by the Board and Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies in the said respective Assessments mentioned and to superintend the Business of continuing & raising the said Streets & Lots accordingly.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

issued

James Culbertson for the Watch	£38:17:—
Ald^{n} Stoutenb^{gh} Expences Road Com^{tee}	7: 8:—
W^{m} Sloo for convey^{g} Vagrants to Bridewell	17:—:—
Clerks of Election	43: 4:—

[12] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 10th May 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}: Isaac Stoutenburgh, Wynant Van Zandt, Gabriel Furman, John Campbell

Assist^{ts}: Garret Harsen, Anthony Post, George Janeway, Nicholas Carmer

M^{r} Recorder having, at the request of the Board, revised and corrected the Laws and Ordinances of this Corporation, and the same

having been respectively read & considered by the Board were respectively passed ordained and established to be & continue in force for one Year; viz[t]

Law for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday.

A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York

A Law to regulate the admission of Free-Men in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York.

A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the paving & keeping in Repair the Streets and to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York.

[13] A Law for the preventing and extinguishing of Fires in the City of New York

A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the Sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York.

A Law to ascertain the Quantity of a Load of Manure in the City of New York.

A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York

A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the Rates of Wharfage

A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York.

A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York

A Law directing the Mode of Recovery of the Fines Penalties and Forfeitures imposed by the Laws of the City of New York.

[14] Ordered that the Clerk take order for the printing of the said Laws, together with the Charter of this City and an Appendix of such of the Statutes of the State as immediately relate to this Corporation or the Police of this City, in a convenient Pamphlet as soon as possible.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to
issued pay Alexr Lamb the Sum of £38:17/ for his Company of City Watchmen.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 14th May 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assistts
Peter P. Van Zandt		Nichs Carmer	
Theops Beekman		Garret Harsen	
Nichs Bayard		Frederick Stymets	
Gabriel Furman		Mangel Minthorne	
John Campbell			

The Committee for burning small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follows viz^t

10,000	of 3d		£125:—:—
8500	2d		70:16: 8
8500	1		35: 8: 4
			231: 5:—

[15] A Petition of Catharine Buysher for remission of Rent of a Lot in Augustus Street was read & referred to the Treasurer to report the Facts.

A Petition of the Inhabitants in Winne Street to sink a Well in that Street was read & granted under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistant of the Ward.

A Petition for the widening of Stone Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

The Committee on the Petition of John Holdran for an abatement of the Rent of Powlus Hook Ferry made a Report and thereupon it was resolved that, in consideration of the Bridges not being erected across Hackinsac & Passaick Rivers as was contemplated at the time of letting the said Ferry, the Treasurer be directed to remit £180 of the last years Rent.

On a representation by Mr Carmer that the Wall of Trinity Church burying Ground would render it very inconvenient to pave Lumber Street with foot Walks on each side it was ordered that a foot Walk be made only on the West side.

Ordered that Messrs Janeway & Walters be permitted to assign the Lease, to them as Exrs of Peter Buysher, for Lot No 101 in Augustus Street

[16] Ordered that the Corporation of the Reformed protestant Dutch Church in the City of New York be notified to cause the foot Walks in front of their Land on King George Street to be immediately paved.

Ordered that Aldn P Van Zandt & Mr Minthorne be a Committee to procure a Survey of the Lands from Buchanans to Marstons to ascertain whether any and what Quantity of the Common Lands are possessed by Individuals

The Committee on the Blooming dale Road reported

Whereupon it was ordered that the said Road from it's commencement at Horns House to Nicholas De Peyster Barn be immediately opened to its proper & legal Wedth of four Rods And thence to the Post Road at Mrs Watkins of the same Wedth if the proprietors will give the Land.

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Campbell be a Committee to attend to the opening of the said Road and to confer with the proprietors of the Land on the Subject.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Mr Nicholas [Carmer] on Acct towards Improvements at the Battery.....	£300:—:—
issued	Gerrit Van Denbergh for Repairs to the public Roads..	£23:13:10
issued	Daniel Burger for Repairs to the public Pumps.....	£29:14: 6

[17] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th May 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman
John Campbell
Wynant Van Zandt
Gabriel Furman
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Peter P Van Zandt
Nicholas Bayard
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Post
Garret Harsen
Mangel Minthorne
Fred: Stymets
} Assistts

A Petition of John Murray Junr relative to his Wharf was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Garret B Abeel was read & referred to the same Committee

A Petition of Moses Grumman was read & referred to the Land Committee.

The Committee on the several Petitions of the Proprietors of Lands at Corlaers Hook for Grants of Water Lots delivered in a Re-

port on the Subject with a Survey of the said Lands and the Water Lots; which was read & taken into Consideration and the further consideration was postponed.

The Street Committee on the Petition for widening Stone Street [18] reported that the Prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted and that the Corporation contribute £50. towards the expence of widening the said Street; which was agreed to by the Board.

A Petition of John Ramsay for the Privilege of erecting a Mill on the Stream of the Creek at Kings Bridge was read & referred to Aldn Furman & Campbell & Mr Minthorne And that the Petition of John Titus presented some considerable time since on the same Subject be taken up by the same Committee.

Ordered that Jacob Harsen be appointed Overseer of the Repairs to Bloomingdale Road.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Rinier Skaats for one Quarters Services.....	£10:—:—
	& for disbursements.....	3:—
		£10: 3:—
issued	Lidia Wentworth for the support of herself & indigent family	£5:—:—

[19] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th May 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Peter P Van Zandt Theophilus Beekman John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh Wynant Van Zandt Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn
Anthony Post Mangel Minthorne Nicholas Carmer Garret Harsen George Janeway Frederick Stymets	Assistts

The Committee on the Petition of John Murray Junr made a verbal Report on the Subject.

Whereupon it was resolved that Mr Murray be informed that it is not in the power of this Board to consent to the erection of any Building beyond 160 feet from the front of his Building on Front Street.

On reading a Petition of John Cochran Esqr Commissioner of Loans of the United States in this State.

Ordered that he be permitted to occupy the Exchange for the use of his Office Or if that should not be found convenient for him, that

he be permitted to occupy the Room in the City Hall called the Council of Revision Room And also the Room used as a Museum whenever it shall no longer be used [20] for that purpose: provided that whenever the said two Rooms or either of them shall be required for the public use of this State or of this City this Permission shall cease.

The Committee on the Petition of John Ramsay for permission to erect a Grist Mill on the Stream at Kings Bridge report "That they are of Opinion the prayer of the Petition ought to be granted so far forth as to commence at the west side of Kings Bridge on the north side of the Creek extending west along the Creek one hundred feet And the same length on the south side of the Creek extending across the Creek reserving a passage way of fifteen feet for small Craft to pass & repass and to pay an annual Rent of five Pounds

Com^tee { Gabriel Furman, Mangle Minthorne, John Campbell

Which Report was agreed to by the Board.

A Petition of Andrew Stockholm & C^o praying the preemption of the Common Lands at the Kissing Bridge was read and referred to the Common Land Committee.

A Petition complaining of the obstruction to the Walks at the Fly Market by the Hucksters was read & referred to the Ald^n of the Ward.

[21] Estimates and Assessments for the paving of *Great George Street from Vesey Street to Murray Street And Chatham Row from Ann Street to the North Corner of the Presbyterian Church Yard were respectively read [&] ratified by the Board And George Gosman was appointed to collect the Monies in the said Assessments mentioned And John Stagg and George Gosman were appointed to superintend the paving of the said Streets.

Ordered that Ald^n Beekman & Mess^rs Janeway & Minthorne be a Committee to take down as much of the Building on the Lot lately purchased to open & continue Roosevelt Street to the River as may be necessary And also to enquire about the Lot which will be required to continue Banckers Street into Queen Street

On a suggestion that the Commiss^rs of the Alms House had lately recovered £20 for the maintenance of a Bastard Child and that they wished to appropriate the said Money to the Releaf of several indigent Families

* Marginal note reads *Broadway*.—ED.

Ordered that the Commiss[rs] apply the said Sum of Money to that purpose accordingly

Ordered that M[r] Thomas Buchanan be informed that this Board think he ought to fill up and make the Street at Rutgers Slip.

[22] Ordered that the following Persons be appointed fire Men of this City. viz[t]

Engine N[o] 14 Jacob Brower vice Francis Moore resig[d]
N[o] 19. Zeno Weeks vice George Brown resigned
N[o] 5 W[m] Aymar vice And[w] Sitcher dec[d]
N[o] 17 Rob[t] Brown. v. Sam[l] Kelly removed
N[o] 10 Hayes Parsnell v: Cha[s] Anderson resign'd

The Committee on the Petition of Peter P Van Zandt report that after due enquiry & mature Deliberation your Committee are of Opinion if the Land under Water South East of the Pier in front of the Estate of the said Van Zandt & also the Ground under the Water in front of Lot N[o] 8 belonging to the Heirs of David Provoost both which are on the South Side of Burlings Slip, if not essentially requisite for public use ought to be granted agreable to the Prayer of the aforesaid Petition.

John Campbell
Mangle Minthorne
Fred. Stymets.

Which said Report was agreed to by the Board on Condition that the Grantees release all Claims which they or either of them may have against this Corporation for or on account of any Slippage Wharfage or any other Matter Cause or Thing touching the said Slip or the Water Lot or Lots adjoining the same.

[23] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer to pay.

	Leonard Fisher the Sum of £20:2:9 to reimburse him	
issued	for so much p[d] for paving the Corporation Lot in his possession in King George Street	
issued	Abraham Van Gelder for lighting the public Lamps....	£50: 5:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of June 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophilus Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Nicholas Carmer	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	
Peter P Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorne	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	

Ordered that in addition to the Rooms granted to John Cochran he be permitted to use the Lobby of the Senate Room until the Meeting of the Legislature or until it shall be wanted for any other purpose.

Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a Loan of £2000 Dollars for the use of the Alms House & for the payment of the Watchmen & Lamplighters & for other purposes until the collection of the Taxes.

[24] A Letter from the Commissioners for improving by filling in & raising that part of the City called the Meadows on the Subject of an Allowance for their Services was read and referred to Aldn P. Van Zandt and Campbell & Mr Janeway.

A Petition from the Proprietors of Lots & others in the Vicinity of the Exchange praying that Basons may be erected there for reception and accommodation of River Vessels, was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition for raising and improving the *Street at the Coffee House was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Request of Thomas & William Burling for the appointment of Persons to examine their Water Lot at the Crane Wharf whether it will sustain a Building of Brick or Stone & covered with Slate or Tile. was read And James Robinson John Stagg, George Gosman, John Moore and John Day were appointed accordingly

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt " The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Wm Van Ingen and others Masters & Owners of Vessels imployed in the North River and New Jersey [25] Trade respecting a Bason at the North River Report that another Bason at the North River for the accommodation of Vessels is necessary That the space between the Piers of Swartwout and Leake is the most eligible place on the Westerly side of this City for such Bason. That the expence of making a Bason at that place will be less than at any other place along the said side of

* Marginal note reads *Wall Street.*—Ed.

the City where the right of Soil under the Water is remaining in this Board That therefore the Committee are of Opinion that a Bason be constructed at the aforesaid Place and that a Committee be appointed to cause the same to be executed agreable to the Plan herewith delivered to the Board June 3d 1793.

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Theos Beekman
Fred. Stymets
Garrit Harsin
Gabriel Furman
} Comtee

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Messrs Post & Van Zandt be a Committee to direct and superintend the making of the said Bason accordingly.

Ordered that the Committee appointed on the Subject take down the old & prepare for the building of a New Watch House.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts to pay

issued	Isaac Van Duzen for repairs the Grate at the Coffee House	£2:10:—
issued	John Walters for Repairs to the Goal.....	6:18: 6

[26] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th day of June 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Gabriel Furman
John Campbell
Peter P Van Zandt
Theophilus Beekman
Wynant Van Zandt
} Esqrs Aldn

Frederick Stymets
Garret Harsen
Anthony Post
Nicholas Carmer
Mangel Minthorne
} Assists

A Petition of Wm Bayard for a Grant of the Soil from high to low Water mark opposite to his land at Greenwich was read & referred to Aldn Campbell & Messrs Minthorne & Post

The Committee on the Letter from the Commissrs on Improvements in the Meadows made a Report Whereupon Resolved that they be allowed each £36 for their Services & Expences And that Mr Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasurer for the payment thereof accordingly.

On Motion of Mr Recorder Resolved that this Board will set apart and appropriate a proper and convenient Place on the East River for a Dock and Bason for the Reception of coasting Vessels and small

Craft which bring Provisions and Produce to this City and for making Wharfs for landing thereof And also a proper and convenient [27] Place for the like purpose on the North River And that this Board will not make any further Grants of Water Lots or of the Soil between high and low Water Mark beyond Catharine Slip on the East River or to the Northward of the Corporation Dock on the North River until such Places as aforesaid be set apart and appropriated for public Uses as aforesd

The Board then went into the Consideration of a proper Place for a Bason at the North River.

And it was Resolved that the space between the northermost Grant to the Episcopal Church & the Water Lot petitioned for by Mr Harrison be reserved and set apart for the purpose of a public Wharf & Bason accordingly.

Ordered that Aldn Campbell and Messrs Harsen & Post be a Committee to examine & report to the Board the most proper place to be reserved for a public Wharf and Bason on the East River.

Ordered that Aldn Beekman & Messrs Janeway & Minthorn be a Committee to examine & report on the Claims of the Corporation Tenants for reimbursements of Monies by them paid for paving the Streets.

Ordered that James Douglass be appointed a fireman to Engine No 15 vice Thomas Barrow declined And John Lamb to No 8 vice —— Morris.

[28] On reading a petition of Bernards Swartwout & Son Ordered that they be permitted to extend their present Wharf or Pier so far into the River as to range with the Bason intended to be made at the front of Thames & Little Queens Street, without any additional Quit Rent

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay Geo. Peetol £2: 10/ for the use made of his Room by the lamp lighters.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th June 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esq Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Tobias Van Zandt	
John Campbell		Fred: Stymets	
Peter P Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorn	
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	

On reading Petitions of the Neighborhoods Ordered that Permission be given to sink Wells at the Corner of Cherry & Catharine Streets and at the intersection of Chambers and Greenwich Streets under the Inspec[tion] & direction of the Aldn & Assists of the Ward.

[29] A Petition of Edmund Prior for the appointment of five Persons purst to the Statute to examine his Lot lately filled in & gained out of the River situate in the fifth Ward adjoining the Ground of James Watson whether the same is capable of sustaining a Building of Brick or Stone & covered with Slate or Tile was read & John Stagg, Geor[g]e Gosman John Moore, James Robinson and Robert Gosman were appointed accordingly.

A Petition of James Blanchard relative to the Corporations Demand against him was read & referred to the Treasurer.

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Committee who have been charged to point out the most convenient and proper Place on the East River to be reserved for a public Bason or landing place, having viewed all the Lands between Corlaers Hook and those belonging to Colo Rutgers at low Water taking into their view not only the Rocks, but also the Current of the Tide, and on mature Deliberation conceive it their Duty to report That the Land under Water between Montgomery Street and the Wharf of Thomas Ivers being four hundred & thirty four & one half feet, as laid down on a Map of said East River, in front [30] of the Lands belonging to Doctor Romaine George Janeway & others as the most proper for the aforesaid purpose.

June 17th 1793

John Campbell
Garret Harsin
Anthy Post

Ordered that Gerard Bancker Junr & Jaspar Stanton be appointed Measurers of Lime in this City.

Ordered that Aldn Campbell and W Van Zandt & Mr Stymets be a Committee to enquire into & report what Sum ought to be paid for

the Soil from high to low Water Mark on the Water Lots petitioned for by Mr Richard Harison

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wts on the Treasr to pay.

issued Aldn Furman on Acct towards the new Bason to be made at Thames' Slip..... £400:—:—

issued Aldn Campbell towards a Fence in the Fields..... £200:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 22d June 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn	Assists
Peter P. V Zandt	Fred: Stymets.
Theophs Beekman	Anthy Post
Gabriel Furman	Mangel Minthorne
Isaac Stoutenburgh	Nichs Carmer
John Campbell	Garret Harsen
	George Janeway

[31] Ordered that Thomas J Townsend be permitted to sink a Cistern for Rain Water in front of his House at the Fly Market under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

Ordered that an Election be held at the Alms House in the 6th Ward on Fryday next of an Assessor in the Place of Henry Snydore decd

The Treasr reported on James Blanchards Petition Whereupon it was ordered that the Treasr charge Interest on the Amount of the Judgment against him according to the several payments.

Ordered that the Treasr attend to the Ground in the Rear of the Barracks & see that no Encroachments be made thereon.

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wt on the Treasr to pay Abm Labagh for cut Stone at the Broad Street Drain ..... £6:11:—

[32] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st July 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn	Assists
Peter P Van Zandt	Tobias Van Zandt
Theophs Beekman	Frederick Stymets
Isaac Stoutenburgh	Garret Harsen
Gabriel Furman	Anthony Post
John Campbell	George Janeway
Nicholas Bayard	Mangel Minthorne
Wynant Van Zandt	Nicholas Carmer

The Poll List of the Election held in the sixth Ward of an Election held of an Assessor in the Place of Henry Snydor decd from which it appears that George Webster was duly elected; was read & filed.

George Webster attending for the purpose took & subscribed the Oath of an Assessor accordingly.

On reading a Petition of William & Saml Bowne relative to the Expence of paving that part of Cliff Street lately purchased & opened by & at the expence of the Neighborhood

Resolved that it was the Intention of this Bd to bear the expence of paving that part of the said Street And therefore

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wt on the Treasurer to pay it accordingly..... £15:14: 6

[33] A Petition of some of the Inhabitants of Broad Street with a Subscription List towards trying an experiment with the Well at Aldn Wools for obtaining better Water was read

Ordered that they be informed that they can have the use of the Apparatus for boring Wells lately imported from Boston by Mr Hammond and if they succeed in the Attempt that this Bd will bear a reasonable part of the expence

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Bayard, praying for a Grant of the Land under Water in front of his Estate situate in the seventh Ward at a place known by the name of Greenwich,

Beg leave to report that they have viewed the Premisses, which by computation contains four hundred feet in length, bounded on Hudsons River, The breadth between high and low Water Mark could not be by them ascertained, not knowing where to draw those Lines. Your Committee being desirous to promote uniformity, are of Opinion, that previous to any Grants being made beyond Bestavers Killityea on said River, straight Lines ought [34] to be drawn to designate low Waters Mark. After that is done they are further of Opinion that the Prayer of the said Petition ought to be granted, reserving as follows—two or more feet in front on said River, and such part or parts thereof as may at any time hereafter be found requisite for a Street or Streets.

July 1st 1793

John Campbell
Mangle Minthorne
Antho Post

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasury to pay.

issued George Gosman on Acct towards paving Gt George Street & Chatham Row in the fields..... £200:—:—

issued Nicholas Carmer of the Committee on Improvements at the Battery on Acct the further Sum of..... £400:—:—

issued	Joseph Shelvey for 1. Qr Services as public Whipper....	£10:15:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting the public Lamps 1 Month	£50: 5:—
issued	John J Roome as Clk to an Election of an Assessor in the 6th Wd.....	£0:16:—
issued	James Parsons & Son for lamp Oil.....	£65:17: 6

A written answer from John Riker on the subject of this Boards proposals to Grant to him & Simon & Rem Remsen the Soil under Water in front of the Lot of John Riker on the East side of Burling Slip was read from which it appears that Mr Riker accedes to the said Proposals.

A written Answer from Simon & Rem P Remsen on the same Subject was also read, from which it appears that they also accede to the said Proposals reserving to themselves the [35] Right of Wharfage along the side of the Slip; which said Written Answers were ordered to be filed.

Ordered that the Clerk inform Messrs Simon & Rem Remsen that this Bd will not grant the said Water Lots on any other Terms than those heretofore proposed to them and that they must give their further answer in fourteen Days

[36] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th July 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Tobias Van Zandt Garret Harsen Nichs Carmer George Janeway Frederick Stymets Anthony Post	Assists

An Estimate and Assessment for filling in raising & paving of Water Street from Pecks Slip to St James Slip was read & ratified by the Board And David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies in the said Assessmts mentioned And Peter Hardenbrook to superintend the filling raising & paving of the said Street

A Petition for the regulating of Lombard Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

Ordered that Alexr J Hamilton have permission to make an Area to his House in Water Street And Robt Quin a Shed to his House in Murray Street under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the respective Wards.

[37] Ordered that Stephen Allen be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 17 vice Andrew Morris resigned
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[38] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th July 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Wynant Van Zandt Theophs Beekman Isaac Stoutenburgh John Campbell Gabriel Furman Peter P Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Tobias Van Zandt Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorne Frederick Stymets Anthony Post	Assists

A Petition of Aaron Burke & others complaining of the bad Condition of the Wharf in the vicinity of the Exchange & Whitehall was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the 1st & the Assistt of the 2d Ward.

An application of Robert Watts Aaron Burr Ebenezer Stevens & James Morris, Commissioners for erecting a Bridge across Harlem River, requesting that a Road be laid out in the most convenient manner leading to the said Bridge was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[39] A Petition of Samuel Osgood and others complaining of the Injury which will result to their Houses if the present Regulation of St James Street should be carried into execution & proposing certain Alterations to remedy the Evil complained of was read And Mr Osgood attending the Board was heard on the Subject Whereupon the whole Board proceeded to the Place to see Whether any & what Alteration could be made in the Regulation of the said Street to the end that the cause of complaint be removed if possible.

A request of John Jackson for the appointment of five Persons purst to Law, to view his Lot gained out of the River, & determine whether it will sustain a Building of Brick or Stone & covered with Slate or Tile was read And John Stagg George Gosman James Robinson Robert Gosman & John Moore were appointed accordingly.

A Letter from the Treasurer was read setting forth that the Commissr of Excize had received in payment a certain Sum in french Crowns at nine Shillings and that they are now passing for eight Shillings & ten pence

* Marginal note reads *make proper Entry abt Tax Books.* Apparently a memorandum of the Clerk.—Ed.

Ordered that, on the Commissioners making an Affid^{t} that he received those Crowns at nine Shill^{gs} in payment for the Excise, the Treasurer receive them of him at that rate

Ordered that the fire Engine House in Greenwich Street be removed to the Hay Scales in front of the Bason at Thames & little Queen Street And that Ald^{n} Stoutenburgh and Furman direct the removal of it and the filling up the Ground there

A Petition of the fire Men belong^{g} to Engine N^{o} 1 for a New Engine. was read & referred to Ald^{n} W. Van Zandt & Mess^{rs} Stymets & Post

[40] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

issued	John Elsworth for the Use of his House & Liquor for the Constables & Marshalls on the celebration of the Anniversary of the 4th July.....	£10:—:—
issued	Col^{o} Bauman for Gun Powder for the Artillery.....	£12: 6:—
issued	John Stoutenburgh for the like for the Militia.....	£15: 4:—
issued	The Sextons of the several Churches for ringing the Bells	£4:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 16th July 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Theoph^{s} Beekman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Tobias Van Zandt
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Mangel Minthorne
John Campbell		Anthony Post
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets

A Petition of Jesse Roberts and several others proprietors of Houses and Lots in S^{t} James Street praying that the Petition of Samuel Osgood & others against the present Regulation of the said Street may [41] be dismissed was read And together with the said Petition of Samuel Osgood and others taken into immediate Consideration: The Board having yesterday been on the Ground to see whether it was practicable, consistent with the general Regulation of the said Street and the other Streets in that quarter having immediate connection with it, to make any alteration in the present Regulation of the said Street as prayed for by M^{r} Osgood & others, and after some considerable time spent on the Subject M^{r} Mayor put the Question Whether the prayer of M^{r} Osgood's Petition could be complied with and it was carried in the Negative—nem: con:

Ordered that the Commiss[rs] of the Alms House and Bridewell direct Blinds to be made to the Bridewell Windows to prevent Persons from without conversing with those confined within

Resolved that this Board do approve of D[r] Seamans appointment by the Commiss[rs] as Phy[si]cian to the Alms House.

Ordered that Mess[rs] Kelly Thorne Baker & others proprietors of Water Lots between Pecks Slip and S[t] James Slip be informed that unless they immediately make Water Street in front of their respective Lots of its full Breadth towards the River this Board will proceed against them on the Covenants contained in their respective Grants.

[42] Ordered that the Committee on the Subject of the Ground in the Rear of the Bridewell direct a Partition Fence to be erected between the Land of this Corporation and that claimed by Individuals and that in running the Line they be allowed English Measure.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22[d] July 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh		Tobias Van Zandt
Peter P Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets
Theoph[s] Beekman		George Janeway
Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen — Assist[ts]
Wynant Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorne
John Campbell		Nicholas Carmer
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post

Two Petitions from the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Pecks Slip the one praying that the Market House there make be taken down [43] and the other that it be permitted to remain standing were respectively read and taken into immediate consideration And on M[r] Mayors putting the Question whether the Prayer of the Petition for taken down the said Market House should be granted it passed in the Affirmative in manner following viz[t]

Affirmative		Negative
Ald[n] Bayard	M[r] Stymets	M[r] Recorder
Ald[n] Beekman	M[r] Van Zandt	M[r] Janeway
Ald[n] Stoutenburgh	M[r] Harsen	M[r] Minthorne
Ald[n] Furman	M[r] Post	M[r] Carmer
Ald[n] P. Van Zandt		
Ald[n] Campbell		

Ordered that the Street Committee direct a Survey to be made of the Street at Pecks Slip from Queen Street to the River

On reading a Petition of Martha Hitchings an indigent infirm Widow

issued Ordered that she be allowed £5 towards repairing the Injury done to her House in digging out Fair Street. And that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay it accordingly

[44] A Petition for the Regulation of Augustus & Thomas Streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Inhabitants in Cherry Street complaining that Mr Dominick's fence stands considerably in the Street was read & referred to Aldn Bayard & Messrs Minthorne & Janeway.

The Committee on the Petition of the Bakers made a Report And it was ordered that the Treasurer in calculating the Assize of Bread allow 144 lb instead of 146 lb of Bread from 112 lb of Flour.

The follows Report of the Regulation of Dover Street was read & agreed to by the Bd "Descent from Cherry Street down Dover Street 128 feet distance 9 Inches on 10 feet where it will require raising 2 feet 5 Inches thence descent 155 feet distance to the Kennel in Water Street as now paved 5 Inches & 9/10 on 10 feet"

The Survey of the said Street agreable to the said Regulation was also approved & filed.

[45] Then an Ordinance for the paving of the said Street was read & passed by the Board

An Ordinance for the digging out & paving of Robinson's Street was also read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be authorized to inform the french Consul *the* [that] if there should be any sick on Board the french Fleet expected here they can have the use of Bedlows Island.

Ordered that Aldn Furman & the Assistts of the 2d & 3d Wards be a Committee to superintend & direct the erection of a new Watch on the Corner Lot at the City Hall & to make two Cisterns to receive the Rain Water from the City Hall.

A Petition for regulating & paving of Greenwich Street from Swartwouts to the Battery was read & referred to the Street Committee And also to make an Inventory of the useless & surplus furniture in the City Hall.

A Petition for an Assize of Bread made of Wheat & Rye flour called Meslin was read & referred to Aldn P Van Zandt & Messrs Harsen & Stymets.

Ordered that Aldn Beekman & W Van Zandt & Mr Janeway be a

Committee to direct the necessary Repairs to Brooklyn ferry House.

[46] Ordered that Henry Rydeback & Arthur Smith be appointed Firemen of Engine N° 20 vice John Elsworth gone to Sea & Israel Wood discharged for neglect of Duty.

Ordered that the Treasurer appropriate the Monies he shall receive from D^r Nicoll, for the Common Lands by him purchased from this Corporation, to the payment of the Bond from this Corporation to M^r John Alsop.

Ordered that the Surveyor make a Survey of the exact quantity of the said Land previous to the making out of a Grant for the same

Ordered that a further Estimate & Assessment for compleating the digging out of Warren Street be made by the same Persons named in the Ordinance for digging out the said Street, and that James Warner be appointed in the place of Simon Van Antwerp named in the s^d Ordinance.

An Ordinance for the paving of the said Street was then read and passed by the Board. Also for the digging out and paving of Robinson Street.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Joseph Griffiths for altering & improving the Flagg at the Battery	£8: 4: 6
issued	[47] Peter T Curtenius for an Iron stamper to the Apparatus for boring Wells	£11: 18: 6
issued	Jerem^h Smith for Repairs to the public Pumps	£7: 6: 6
issued	John Walters for Carpenters Work in taking down part of the House to open Roosevelt Street	£22: 2: 4
issued	Alex^r Lamb for his Company of City Watchmen	£194: 5:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£194: 5:—
issued	John Gilbert & others for copying & carrying out the poundage of the Tax Books	£21: 16:—

City of New York. } At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th July 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor

Peter P Van Zandt	Esq^rs Ald^n	Frederick Stymets	Assist^ts
Nicholas Bayard		Garret Harsen	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Nich^s Carmer	
Theoph^s Beekman		Anthony Post	
Gabriel Furman		Mangel Minthorn	
John Campbell		George Janeway	

An Ordinance for the paving of S^t James Street from Chatham Street to the River was read & passed by the Board.

[48] The two follow[g] Reports were read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

The Street Committee recommend the follow[g] Regulation of Pecks Slip Street as corresponding with the several Streets in connection therewith, viz[t] *Descent from the Kennel in Queen Street to the Kennel in Water Street on the westerly side 3 $^{85}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet. accordingly it will require raising at the end of 60 feet from the southerly Kennel in Queen Street one foot 10 Inches and the Kennel in Water Street on the Westerly side will remain as it is. The easterly Kennel will require raising 1 foot in order to bring it on a level with the Kennel opposite."

The Street Committee report the following Regulation of Ann Street beginning at the intersection of Gold Street where it requires to be lowered two feet one Inch and ascending three Inches & an half on 10 feet to the intersection of William Street and from thence to the intersection of Nassau Street ascending one Inch & $^{65}/_{100}$ on ten feet."

The Surveys of the said two Streets were also approved by the Board And [49] Then Ordinances for paving the said two last mentioned Streets were read & passed by the Board

Ordered that William Bayard be permitted to have a railed Area to his House [in] Wall Street.

An Estimate & Assessm[t] for the making a Common Sewer to convey the Water of Roosevelt Street into the River, was read & ratified by the Board And David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies and George Gosman & John Moore were appointed to execute the Work under the inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Ald[n] Campbell on acc[t] towards the improvem[ts] in the fields	£100:—:—
issued	Ald[n] Furman on Acc[t] towards building new Watch H[s]	£200:—:—
issued	John Simmons for the expences of the canvassing Committee & for the celebration of the late anniversary of American Independence	£43: 5:—
issued	Ab[m] Van Gelder for light[g] Lamps	£50: 4: 9½
issued	Anth[o] Post for repair[g] the Town Clerks Office Room in the City Hall	£72: 6: 8
issued	Elias Burger for Repairs to the Albany Pier	£40:—:—
issued	David Waldron for Repairs to the public Roads	£95:17:—
issued	[50] Ald[n] W Van Zandt the ball[ce] of his Acc[t] for working & repairing the Mud Scow last Summer	£15: 3:10

*Marginal note reads *See. this Regulation altered Sept[r] 9th 1793. P. 99.*—ED.

issued	Lazulier & Williamson for Repairs to public Pumps...	£7: 8: 3
issued	Anthᵒ L Bleecker & Son for their Commission on the Sale of Lots at the Hudson Market.....	£3:—:—
issued	Thomas Drake towards a new Well at Cathⁿ Slip....	£5:12:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 5th August 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman, John Campbell, Gabriel Furman, Peter P Van Zandt, Nichs Bayard } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Mangel Minthorne, George Janeway, Nichs Carmer, Anthᵒ Post, Frederick Stymets } Assists

Mr Mayor & the Members having inspected the diffᵗ Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House [51] and Bridewell & compared the several Charges with their respective Vouchers and that they found them right amounting for the Expenditures

of the Alms House for the last Quarter to.....	£1711:16: 6
And of the Bridewell.....	193:16: 6

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House.....	£1600:—:—
Bridewell	200:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for the issued payment thereof accordingly.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay off the Bond from this Corporation to Mrs Ann Burke

An Estimate & Assessment for the digging out & filling in the Bowery Lane from Nicholas Street to Catharine Street was read & ratified by the Board And Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies and to superintend the digging out & filling in of the said Street or Lane.

The following Report was read & filed The Committee for cancelling the Notes issued for small change report that *that* they have burnt to ashes the following Notes vizt

[52] 7000.....	of 1d	£29: 3: 4
7000.....	2d	58: 6: 8
7000.....	3	87:10:—
		£175:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Wm Sloo for conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£28:—:—
issued	Culbertson & Lamb for the City Watch each each.....	£38:17:—
issued	George Webster for aiding the Assessor in the sixth Ward	£3: 4:—

City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held on Thursday Augt 15th 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Peter P Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Mangel Minthorne	
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
Theophilus Beekman		Frederick Stymets	
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
Nicholas Bayard			
John Campbell			

Aldn Beekman presented to the Bd a Release from Daniel Bonnet for the Piece of Ground lately purchased of him to continue Franckfort Street into Queen Street which was read and approved of by the Board and ordered to be recorded and deposited in the Clerks Office.

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Mr Bonnet £380—consideration Money in the said Release mentioned.

[53] A Petition of Ann Payne for permission to lead a private Drain to convey the Water from her Lot into the Common Sewer of Roosevelt Street, was read and granted.

A Petition of Ephraim Hart to make a Coal Vault under the Street in front of his House in Wall Street was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

A Petition of several unlicenced Butchers to cut up & sell Meat in joint or in Pieces was read

And a petition of the Licenced Butchers against it was also read.

Whereupon the prayer of the unlicenced Butchers Petition was rejected.

A Petition of Joseph Young & Helena Kip praying a small Alteration in the late Regulation of Dover Street so as that the Pavement be not raised above the Floors of their Houses was read and granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

A Petition of Henry Ten Broeck Butcher for a Standing in the Hudson Market was read & granted.

Ordinances for paving the following Streets were respectively read and passed by the Board viz[t]

Catharine Street from Cherry Street to Bedlow Street.

Greenwich Street from Swartwouts to the South side of Rector Street.

And Rector Street from the Broadway to Greenwich Street.

An Estimate & Assessment for the paving of Dover Street was read & ratified by the Board and David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies & Peter Hardenbrook to superintend the paving of the Street.

[54] Ordered that Adam Pens be appointed to Engine N[o] 1 one of the fire Men of this City vice Daniel Fagen.

On a suggestion that the fire Engines were improperly used in watering Ships on the Stocks Ordered that they be not used for any other Purpose than that of extinguishing Fires, and on special Occasions by permission of the Mayor

Ordered that the Committee on Repairs at Brooklyn make the necessary Repairs to the East Pier.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Ald[n] W Van Zandt on acc[t] towards Repairs to the Pier at Brooklin	£100:—:—
issued	M[r] Janeway on acc[t] towards the paving of Thomas & Chatham Streets	£60:—:—
issued	Ald[n] Furman on acc[t] towards the new Bason at Thames Slip	£400:—:—
issued	Gosman & Moore towards the Corporations part of the Common Sewer in Roosevelt Street	£200:—:—
issued	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to the public Pumps 1[st] W[d]	£21: 9:10
issued	The same for the like 2[d] W[d]	£16:17: 2
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£39:17:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q[r] Services	£10:—:—
	the same for disbursements	1:11: 6
issued	James Culbertson for superintend[g] the cleaning of the Streets	£25: 1: 6

[55] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 21st Augt 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldermen	Frederick Stymets	Assistts
Theophilus Beekman		Anthony Post	
Nicholas Bayard		Tobias Van Zandt	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	

On a suggestion that the Watch House erecting would be too small it was ordered that it be lengthened eight feet on Wall Street and that it have a front on Broad Street to extend from it's termination on Wall Street to the Corner of Tilyou's House.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward direct a Bulkhead to be made at the River in front of Roosevelt Street And that the Aldn & Assist of the 4th Ward do the like at Crown Street Slip And also that they direct the arrangement of the Tables & Benches in the Hudson Market

[56] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of August 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophilus Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Tobias Van Zandt	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Mangel Minthorne	
Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
		Frederick Stymets	
		Anthony Post	

Ordered that Robert Bryson be permitted to insert a private Drain into the Common Sewer of Roosevelt Street to convey the Water from his Lot

Ordered that David Brown & Thomas Kinan divide the Business and Emoluments of inspecting fire Wood in their respective Districts at Pecks Slip and it's vicinity equally between them.

The Committee on the Petition of Aaron Burke & others made Report And thereupon ordered that the Clerk notify John Remsen & Gosen Ryers that unless they immediately wharf out and make front Street compleat in front of the respective Water Lots in their possession between the Exchange Slip & Moore Street this Board will proceed against them on the Covenants contained in the Grants of the said Water Lots.

Ordered that the Treasurer expose to sale on Friday next at public

Vendue the Materials of the Market House at [57] Pecks Slip. The purchaser to remove the whole of the Materials out of the Street and fill up the Street where the buildings stands to a level with the Street on each side in fifteen Days.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Stagg & Gosman for paving Great George Street.....	£232:18: 5
	the same for Chatham Row.....	56:12:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of Septr 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

John Campbell Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Frederick Stymets Mangel Minthorne George Janeway	Assists

Charles Handasyde Cordwainer, admitted & sworn a free Man.

On reading a Petition of the Inhabitants of Catharine Street. Ordered that the Ordinance for paving that Street be suspended until next Summer

A Petition of Adrian Kissam on behalf of himself & the other Heirs & Devisees of Petrus Rutgers decd praying a Grant to Francis B Winthrop of a certain Piece of Ground formerly reserved as a Street in a Grant to William Huddleston decd was read & referred to the Aldn & Assists of the 1st & 4th Ward.

[58] Ordered that Standings in Catharine Slip Market be assigned to William Moore Matthew Goodman & J Michael Nestell.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn Campbell on Acct the further Sum of £200 towards the Improvements in the fields.....	£200:—:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for the ballce of his Acct in the Lamp Department	£73:10: 6
issued	The same for 1 Months lights Lamps.....	£50: 5:—
issued	Wm Sloo as a Gratuity for his extraordinary Exertions in taking fish for the Alms Hs & Bridewell.....	£20:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for his Watchmen.....	£38:17:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£77:14:—
issued	Leffingwell & Pierpoint for lamp Oil.....	£91: 6:10

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of September 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, John Campbell } Esqrs Aldn

George Janeway, Tobias Van Zandt, Anthony Post, Frederick Stymets, Nicholas Carmer } Assistts

A Petition of James Warner & others praying an alteration in the Regulation of *Great George Street was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Franklin for leave to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Queen Street was read & granted under the Inspection of the Aldn and Assistant of the Ward.

[59] The Street Committee reported the follows Regulation of Pecks Slip Street, in the stead of that reported & agreed to on the 29th July last,† which was agreed to by the Board vizt

"From the southerly Kennel in Queen Street to the *to the* Kennel in Water Street descent 3 $^{85}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet accordingly it will require raising at the distance of sixty feet from Queen Street 1 foot 10 Inches Thence from the said Kennel in Water Street to the Wall Plate at the Slip with a descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet accordingly the Wall Plate must be raised 10 Inches.

An Ordinance for the paving of the said Street was then read & passed by the Board.

The Street Committee then reported the following Regulation of Lombard Street which was agreed to by the Board vizt

From Catharine Street as the same is regulated to the Intersection of George Street ascent 2 $^{33}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet accordingly at the distance of 425 from Catharine Street is must be dug out 3 feet 5 Inches. From George Street to 252 feet distance ascent 1½ Inch on 10 feet and thence 328 feet to Charlotte Street descent 1½ Inch on 10 feet accordingly at the end of 230 feet from George Street it will require raising 7 Inches. From Charlotte Street to the distance of 200 feet ascent 1½ Inch on 10 feet and thence to Rutgers Street descent 1½ Inch on 10 feet. accordingly it will require digging out at the distance of 230 feet from Charlotte Street 7 feet 10 Inches.

An Ordinance for digging out the said Street agreable to the said Report was read & passed by the Board.

* Marginal note reads *Broadway*.—Ed.
† Marginal note reads *P. 48*.—Ed.

The Street Committee reported the following Alteration in the Regulation of *Great George Street from the Bridewell to Barley Street; which [60] was agreed to by the Board viz[t]

†Beginning at the Kennel at the intersection of the Street in front of the Bridewell & Great George Street and thence descending to the intersection of Barley Street with 1 Inch & ¼ on 10 feet."

Purs[t] to Law the Board proceeded to the appointment of places in the respective Wards at which the ensuing Election of Charter Officers is to be held and of Inspectors of the said Election & the following Places & Persons were nominated & appointed viz[t]

	places	Inspectors
1st Ward	Trinity Church	Thomas Ludlow
2d	City Hall	John Jones
3d	North Church	John Young
4th	St Pauls Church	Manassah Salter
5th	Eden Hunts House Water Street	Garret Abeel
6th	Alms House	John Crolius Jun[r]
7th	Richard Varians House	Stephen McCrea

From an appre[he]nsion that the alarming & infectious‡ Fever now raging at Philadelphia may be brought to this City by persons coming from thence after having taken the Infection the Board determined it necessary that a place be provided out of the City to which they may be sent if they should be taken sick And thereupon the Ald[n] & Assist of the first Ward and M[r] Janeway were appointed a Committee to procure the use of the House on Nutten Island until 1st Nov[r] and to provide Bunks &[c] if necessary

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Gosman & Stagg in full for the Corporations proportion of the Common Sewer Roosevelt Street	£237:—:—
issued	David Harriot for the Corporations part of paving Water Street	£10:13: 6
issued	Nich[s] Carmer on Acc[t] towards the Battery	£325:—:—
issued	Jacob Harsen on acc[t] towards the Road	£50:—:—
issued	Ald[n] Furman on acc[t] towards the Bason at Thames Slip	£200:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for his Watchmen	£38:17:—

* Marginal note reads *Broadway* —Ed.
† Marginal note reads *see gen[l] Regulation July 15th 1791.*—Ed.
‡ Marginal note reads *Malignant or Yellow Fever.*—Ed.

[61] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of Septr 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Peter P Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Tobias Van Zandt	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Frederick Stymets	
John Campbell		Mangel Minthorne	
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Nicholas Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post	

John Jenkins made a free Man.

Mr Mayor read to the Board a Letter from the Governor to him, stating that from the Circumstance of a Sloop from Philadelphia which was reported to him by the Health Officer to have on board a Person infected with the contagious Distemper now prevailing in that Place, having last Evening entered the Harbour and come to one of the Wharfs, He was convinced that *that* every Measure which he was warranted by Law to take to prevent an intercourse with that City would prove ineffectual. That under this impression he submitted it to the Discretion of the Corporation to devise such farther Measures in aid of those already adopted as they might find themselves authorized to take or the necessity of the Case would justify for the prevention of so great a Calamity as the spreading of that malignant Dissease would prove to our fellow Citizens.

Mr Mayor informed the Board that the Inhabitants at a Meeting at the Coffee House had appointed a Committee to aid this Board in any Measures which might be adopted to [62] prevent the introduction of that Dissease into this City, And that the said Committee among other arrangements had employed Doctors Buxton & Irwin to aid the Health Officer in his Duty & that they had employed Nathan Strong at the Whitehall & Henry Dufour at the North River to prevent Persons immediately from Phils from entering this City. and that they had engaged the Persons as above employed [at] an ample Compensation for their Services.

Whereupon the Board approved of the Measures taken by the said Committee and proceeded to the consideration of such further Measures as might be necessary to be taken by this Board on the alarming Occasion.

And thereupon came to the following determination.

Resolved and Ordered that Aldermen Furman Stoutenburgh,

Beekman & Campbell and Messrs Stymets, Carmer and Janeway be a Committee and that they in conjunction with the Committee appointed by the Inhabitants to take every Measure which in their Judgment may be necessary to prevent the infectious Distemper now ranging at Philadelphia from being introduced into this City and that this Board will answer the Consequences & Expences

Ordered that Mr Mayor be authorized and requested to appoint under the Common Seal of this City such and so many of the respectable Inhabitants in each Ward as he may judge necessary for the purpose of aiding the Magistrates in carrying into strict execution the Law for preventing Nuisances in this City.

Ordered that a Stand be assigned in the Catharine Slip Market House to Andrew Pfaaf Butcher.

[63] Mr Mayor represented to the Board that he had paid to the City Treasurer a considerable number of french Crowns received by him from Rinier Skaats & James Culbertson for market Fees collected by them in July & August at nine Shillings before they were actually reduced in circulation to 8/10d and it appearing from the affidavit of Mr Skaats that he had paid the Mayor 49 Crowns, and from the affidavit of Mr Culbertson that he had paid to the Mayor 134 Crowns as aforesaid at 9/. Ordered that in the settlement of the Mayors Acct he be allowed the deficiency on 91 Crowns & an half being one half of the Crowns so received by him & amounting to fifteen Shillgs & 3d

On a suggestion to the Board that a great majority of the proprietors of the Lots in Catharine Street were very desirous that the Ordinance for paving the said Street should be carried into immediate execution to prevent the said Street from running out in the course of the Winter. It was ordered that the Order of the 2d Inst, for suspending the execution of the said Ordinance, be repealed.

An Ordinance for digging out the Head of Chatham Street, adjoining the Bowery Lane the Lots of Hendrick Doyer & Fork & the Ground purchased of Mrs Bancker by the Mechanic Society, was read & passed by the Board.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out Warren Street was read & ratified by the Bd and John Fox was appointed to collect the Monies therein mentioned.

The Committee on the Petition of Adrian Kissam read on the 2d Instant, reported that the prayer of the Petition be granted and that it be extended to Geo Lindsay; which was agreed to by the Board.

[64] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Aldn W Van Zandt on acct towards Repairs to Brooklyn Ferry House & Wharf	£200:—:—
issued	Aldn Furman on acct towards the Expences of the Committee for preventg infectious Distembers	£100:—:—
issued	John Graham for Repairs to Lamps	£19:12:10
issued	Alexr Lamb for the City Watchmen	£38:17:—

Ordered that the Committee on small Change Notes be directed to cause to the amount of £1000 in small change Notes to be printed & delivered to the Treasurer.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23d day of Septr 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman John Campbell Gabriel Furman Isaac Stoutenburgh Peter P Van Zandt Wynant Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Tobias Van Zandt Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorn Nicholas Carmer George Janeway Frederick Stymets Anthony Post

Assistts

Ordered that Aldn Campbell, & P. Van Zandt & Messrs Harsen Carmer & Janeway be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers to examine his annual Accts & to report the same to this Board.

An Estimate & Assessmt for the paving of Franckfort Street was read & ratified by the Board & David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies and Stagg & Gosman to superintend the Work.

[65] Ordered that in case Mr Mayor should be informed of any Person being sick and suspected of the infectious Dissease prevailing at Phils he direct Doctors Treat, Bard and Pitt Smith to examine them and that this Board will provide for the Expence

The Committee for cancelling small change Notes reported that they had attended at the Treasurers & burnt to ashes the follows

3000	of one penny	£12:10:—
3000	of two pence	25:—:—
3500	of three pence	43:15:—
		£81: 5:—

Ordered that Samuel Arnot be appointed a Measurer of Grain & Coal

Ordered that Mr T Van Zandt attend to the Repairs making at Brooklyn Ferry House & Wharf.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	David Harriot for the Corporations part of paving the So side of Water Street.....	£19:10: 6
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£38:17:—
issued	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Pumps.....	£45:18:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth for his annual Allowance as superintendt of the fire Engines £70 & for his Acct of Repairs to Engines amountg in the Whole.....	£131: 0: 4

At a Meeting at the Mayors Office on Saturday the 28th day of Septr 1793.

Present/ Mr Mayor
Aldn Stoutenburgh
Aldn Beekman
Aldn Furman
Aldn Campbell

Jedediah Waterman Chocolate maker.
Azariah Dunham Laborer
David Covert do
John Seamers do
were admitted & sworn Free Men of this City

[66] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of September 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman John Campbell Peter P Van Zandt Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Garret Harsen Anthony Post George Janeway Mangel Minthorne	Assistts

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers Books & Accts reported as follows vizt We the Subscribers appointed to examine the Books of the City Treasurer do report that there has been received since the last Settlement from the Corporation Revenue and for Common Lands sold the Sum of Six thousand five hundred & forty six Pounds 11/3d for the materials of the Market at Pecks Slip thirty Pounds 10/, and Monies borrowed from the Bank and other-

wise by order of the Com. Council twelve thousand four hundred Pounds which with the ballce due on the last Settlement of four hundred & fifty three Pounds 1/10d amounts to £19430:3:1d. That there has been paid out by order of Common Council and for incidental Charges £17891:10:1½ which leaves a ballance due to the City of New York on Revenue Accounts of £1538:12:11½.

That the followg appears to be the State of the Books

Outstandg on Contract for Com. Lands.....	£2017:19: 5	Due to the City of N: York	£7378:15: 6
advanced towards opening of Roosevelt Street	3391: 6:10	do to the Bank N York	1200:—:—
due on City Cash Acct	1538:12:11	do to Effie Davis....	39:19: 8
Out standg Debts on Revenue Acct.....	1670:16:—		
	£8618:15: 2		£8618:15: 2

[67] The Board proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix was unanimously appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor then nominated and appointed James Culbertson to be high Constable of this City for the ensuing Year.

A Request of Henry H Kip & John Murray Junr for the appointment of five Persons according to Law to view their respective Lots adjoining Murrays Wharf to determine whether they are capable of sustaining Buildings of Brick or Stone & covered with Slate or Tile; And a similar Request of Bernardus Swartwout as to his Lot at the North River were respectively made to the Board And John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day were appointed accordingly.

John Fox who was appointed to collect the Monies on the Assessment for digging out Warren Street having from indisposition declined the Service Robert Berwick was appointed in his stead.

An Estimate and Assessment for the paving of Ann Street was read & ratified by the Bd and Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessment and Stagg & Gosman were appointed to pave the said Street.

An Ordinance for paving Roosevelt Street from Cherry Street to Rutgers Street was read & passed by the Board.

An Ordinance for digging out Read Street from the Et side of Greenwich Street to the River was also read & passed by the Board

On a suggestion that the landing of Cattle at Catharine Slip is be-

come dangerous to the Inhabitants It is ordered that no Cattle be landed at any place in this City to the Westward of Colº Rutgers's.

[68] The Board being informed that some of the Inhabitants in Broad Street had inserted private Drains into the Common Sewer of that Street not only to carry off the Bye Water from their Cellars but also the filthy & dirty Water from their Yards & Kitchens Whereupon it was ordered that the Aldⁿ & Assistants of the 1ˢᵗ & 2ᵈ Wards or the Commissioners appointed to aid the Magistrates in executing the Street Law examine and inspect those private Drains and if they shall find any of them used for any purpose but that of carrying off the Bye Water from the Cellars that they cause the communication of them with the Common Sewer, to be immediately cut off.

Ordered that Aldⁿ Furman & Messʳˢ Harsen & Stymets be a Committee to compleat the Mouth of the Common Sewer in Broad Street so as to prevent it's being a receptacle for filth & Dirt

A Petition from a Society of young Gentlemen, stiling themselves a Law Society, for the use of the Senate Chamber to meet in once a Week was read & granted.

Mʳ Mayor laid before the Board a Suggestion, from the Committee appointed by the Inhabitants to prevent the introduction of the infectious Distemper prevailing in Philᵃ, that watering the Streets of this City by Means of the Fire Engines would aid the Inhabitants in cleansing them and tend to correct the Air and prevent Putrifaction or offensive smell from the Kennels in consequence of the long continued Drought Whereupon it was resolved that it be recommended to the Engineers and Fire Men of this City to make the necessary arrangements for watering the several Streets of this City with the Fire Engines on Saturday next (unless a previous considerable fall of Rain should [make] it unnecessary [69] and the Inhabitants are requested to aid the Fire Men in this Business.

And it is also recommended to all the Inhabitants to work at the same time all the public and private Pumps and to scrape or sweep the Kennels that the Water may have it's free Course.

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Mʳ Nicholas Carmer on accᵗ towards the new Watch House	£300:—:—
issued	Aldⁿ Campbell on accᵗ towards Improvements making in the Fields	£200:—:—
issued	Abᵐ Van Gelder for lighting public Lamps	£50: 5:—
issued	Edward Day for two Cisterns at the City Hall	£27: 3: 7
issued	Joseph Shelvey for 1 Qʳ Salary as public Whipper	£10:15:—
issued	Alexʳ Lamb for the City Watchmen	£38:17:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the first day of October 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Nicholas Bayard		Tobias Van Zandt	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Garret Harsen	
Theophilus Beekman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Nicholas Carmer	Assist[ts]
Wynant Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorne	
Peter P Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Elections held yesterday in the several Wards of this City, of Charter Officers from which it appears that the following Persons were duly elected. viz[t]

[70]	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Frederick Stymets	Assistant
1[st] Ward	Nicholas Cruger, Thomas Ludlow	Assessors
	Aert Huysman	Collector
	John Seamars, Azariah Dunham	Constables
	Wynant Van Zandt	Alderman
	Garret Harsen	Assistant
2[d] Ward	Augustus Van Horne, Solomon Simpson	Assessors
	William Gilbert	Collector
	Barn't Newkerk, Abraham Martling	Constables
	Peter P Van Zandt	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
3[d] Ward	Henry Ten Broeck, Moses Rogers	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Charles Handasyde, Samuel Stockwell	Constables
	Isaac Stoutenburgh	Alderman
	Anthony Post	Assistant
4[th] Ward.	Ahasuerus Turk, Jacob Abrams	Assessors
	Thomas Lafoy	Collector
	John Ackerman, John Reins	Constables

	Theophilus Beekman	Alderman
	Tobias Van Zandt	Assistant
5th Ward.	James Tylee, Caleb Sutton	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	John Flemming, Francis, James Currie	Constables
	John Campbell	Alderman
	George Janeway	Assistant
6th Ward.	Anthony Lispenard, Oliver Glean	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	William Campbell, Robert Berwick	Constables
[71]	Nicholas Bayard	Alderman
	Mangel Minthorne	Assistant
	Edward Williams, Rem Rapalye	Assessors
	Richard Furman (Bowery Division)	Collector
7th Ward	John Deitz, Francis White	Constables
	Sampson Benson Junr, Jacobus Dyckman	Assessors
	John Bussing (Harlem Division)	Collector
	John DeWitt, Cornelius Harsen	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named (except those elected to the Office of Collector) be notified to attend at the Common Council on Monday the 14th Instant at 11 O'Clock in the forenoon to take & subscribe the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

Pursuant to the Statute the Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City attended and produced to the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen for their Inspection and Examination his Accounts and Vouchers of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax last Year; which they found to be just and right and they certified the same accordingly.

A Petition of Dr Nicholas Romayne for the Soil between front Street & high Water Mark in front of his land at Corlaers Hook was read & rejected.

Pursuant to the Statutes of this State relative to the Office of Loan Officers Evert Bancker one of the Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes and Accounts by him & Cornelius Ray taken & kept as Loan Officers and

this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty in manner as by the said Statutes is directed & required.

The following is a Statement of the Mortgages by them taken & of the Monies by them received & paid into the Treasury of the State. viz[t]

[72] Memorandum of the Mortgages that the Interest Commences on the first Tuesday in November and December 1792

		Principal
50	Mortg[s] between N[o] 1 to 53 inclusive Dated 6 Novem[r] 1792 amounting to	£8610: 0: 0
2	Ditto N[o] 56 & 57 dated 6 Novem[r] 1792 part of each £300 is	600: 0: 0
2	Ditto 64 & 66 dated 4 Decem[r] D[o] amounting to	350: 0: 0
2	Ditto 70 & 73 dated 13 D[o]	250: 0: 0
56	Mortgages Interest commences first tuesday in Novem[r] 92 on	9810: 0: 0
13	D[o] remaining Int[t] to commence first tuesday in Decem[r] 92 £8490	
	Part of the above mentioned two Mortg[s] N[o] 56 & 57 1000	9490: —: —
69	Mortgages Principal Amounting to the full sum received	£19300: 0: 0
£9810	Principal 6 Months Interest to the 7th May 1793 @ 6 ℔ Cent ℔ Ann	£294: 6: 0
9490	Ditto 5 Months D[o] to the 7th D[o] D[o]	237: 5: 0
£19300	Principal.....Interest due the 7th May 1793	£531: 11: 0

The New Loan Officers have rec[d] the Interest due and paid the same to the Treasurer as here under

The Treasury Deb[r] to the Salaries of the Loan Officers	£80: 0: 0
1793 June 22nd To Cash paid the Treasurer in full as ℔ receipt	451: 11: 0
	531: 11: 0

New York the 22th June 1793
Errors Excepted
℔ Evert Bancker L O
New York the 17th September 1793

Principal remaining on Loan last year (of the monies emited in 1786) was £22325: 6 Interest for 1 Year at 5 ℔ Cent is	£1116: 5: 3
Deduct Loan Officers Salary	80: 0: 0
	1036: 5: 3
Cash rece[d] on Acc[t] of Principal as ℔ Acc[t]	3973: 6: 0
The Principal & Int[t] paid to the Treasurer as here under	£5009: 11: 3

Cash paid to Gerard Bancker Esqr as ℔ receipt dated the 9th August 1793	£3247:15: 6
Ditto paid—Ditto in full as ℔ Do 27 Augt 1793	1761:15: 9
	£5009:11: 3

New York the 17th September 1793
Errors excepted

Principal remaining out £18352. ℔ Evert Bancker. L. O

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay the several Clerks of the Election of Charter Officers 16/ each amountg to £5:12. issued

[73] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 11th day of October 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldermen	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Theophilus Beekman		Garret Harsen	
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
Peter P Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorne	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		George Janeway	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	

A Petition of Jons Dickenson to insert a private Drain into the Common Sewer of Roosevelt Street was read and granted under the Inspection of George Gosman.

An Estimate & Assessment for the paving of St James Street & the like for Roosevelt Street was read & ratified by the Board & Jonathan Conrey was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessments and Peter Hardenbrook to superintend the paving of the said Streets.

The like for the paving of Pecks Slip Street and Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies and Peter Hardenbrook to superintend the paving of the said Street

A Petition of Peter Grim for a Survey of the West side of the Bowery Lane was read & referred to the Street Committee.

The Street Committee reported "that they had caused a Survey to be made of the lower End of Wall Street with a view to avoid the necessity of the Drains at the Coffee House and find that a descent of one Inch & a quarter upon every 10 feet from opposite the House of Peter P Van Zandt Esqr to the [74] Bulkhead at the Slip will answer the purpose and therefore recommend an Ordinance to be passed to carry the said Regulation into immediate execution agreable

to the Survey; which said Report and the Survey accompanying it were approved by the Board

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared accordingly.

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Recommendation, of the joint Committee of this Board and of the Committee chosen by the Citizens to prevent the introduction into this City of the infectious Distemper now prevailing in Philadelphia "that this Board would furnish the "Sum of three thousand Dollars towards the Relief of the poorer and "most distressed Citizens of Philadelphia under the pressure of their "present great Calamity"

Whereupon it was resolved that this Board will provide the Sum of five thousand Dollars for the Relief of the poorer and most distressed Citizens of Philadelphia under the pressure of their present great Calamity And that Mr Mayor be authorized on behalf of this Board to negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York for the above Sum And that he be requested to inform the Mayor of Philadelphia of the aforegoing Resolution & to pay the above Sum to his Order accordingly.

[75] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasury to pay

issued	Charles Handysyde for the Expences of an Inquisition taken by Judge Hobart in the absence from this City of the Coroner	£2:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the City Watchmen	£38:17:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£38:17:—
issued	Evert Bancker for Surveys & levells Streets	£25:18:—
issued	George Hoppel towards a new Well sunk at the Corner of Greenwich & Chambers Streets	£7: 4:—
issued	John Goodeve for a Box Candles	£3: 6:—
issued	Alsop & Hicks for lamp Oil	£9: 1:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of October 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Frederick Stymets	Assistts
Wynant Van Zandt		Garret Harsen	
Peter P Van Zandt		Nicholas Carmer	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthony Post	
Theophilus Beekman		Tobias Van Zandt	
John Campbell		George Janeway	
Nicholas Bayard		Mangel Minthorne	

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard

Varick Esq^{r} to the Offices of Mayor Water Bailif & Clerk of the Markets of this City for the ensuing Year, M^{r} Mayor attended by the Aldermen proceeded to the Gov^{t} House and in their presence took before his Excellency the Oaths prescribed by the Charter of this City And being returned to the City Hall the [76] Mayors Commission was published with the usual Solemnities.

M^{r} Mayor then administred to the several Aldermen & Assistants aforementioned and to the several follow^{g} Officers the Oaths prescribed by the Charter to be by them respectively taken. viz^{t}

Nicholas Cruger	Assessors	John Seamars
Thomas Ludlow		Azariah Dunham
Augustus Van Horne		Barn't Newkerk
Solomon Simpson		Charles Handasyde
Moses Rogers		Samuel Stockwell
Ahasuerus Turk		John Ackerman
Jacob Abrams		John Reins
James Tylee		John Fleming
Caleb Sutton		Francis Currie
Anthony Lispenard		William Campbell
Sampson Benson Jun^{r}		Robert Berwick
Jacob Dyckman		John Dietz
		Francis White
		John DeWitt
		Cornelius Harsen

Constables

Daniel Phœnix Treasurer or Chamberlain who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board.

William J Elsworth Coroner

James Culbertson High Constable.

Ordered that Oliver Glean, Edward Williams & Rem Rapalye Assessors who have not appeared be notified to attend at the next Com^{n}. Council as also Ab^{m} Martling Constable

Ordered that Ald^{n} Stoutenburgh Furman P. Van Zandt Beekman & Campbell & Mess^{rs} Harsen & Minthorne be the standing Com^{tee} for Streets & Roads

Ald^{n} W Van Zandt & Mess^{rs} Carmer & Janeway for Accounts.

And Ald^{n} Furman & Mess^{rs} Tobias Van Zandt & Minthorne for Lamps.

[77] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] the 21[st] 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Theophilus Beekman Nicholas Bayard Wynant Van Zandt Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman Peter P Van Zandt	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen Nich[s] Carmer Mangel Minthorne Anthony Post Frederick Stymets	Assist[ts]

M[r] Mayor communicated to the Board a Letter from the President & Directors of the Bank of New York in answer to his Application for the Loan of 5000 Dollars for the Relief of the distressed Citizens of Phil[a] wherein they express their chearful consent to lend the Corporation that Sum on their Bond payable in one Year and in consequence of the benevolent use intended to be made of the Money they will demand only five per C[t] Interest for the same.

Ordered that a Bond from this Corporation to the President Directors & Company of the Bank of New York for the above Sum with Interest at five per C[t] be made out accordingly that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that M[r] Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

A Request of Herman Le Roy to enlarge the Area & make a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Broadway, was granted under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward

A similar Request of Robert Robinson for a Vault in front of his House in John Street was granted in like manner

[78] & A Request of Mess[rs] Cromwell & Cock to incert private Drains into the Common Sewer of Ferry Street was granted in like manner

Ordered that David Fowler & James Hubbard be appointed fire Men to Engine N° 5 vice Andrew Sitcher & Garret Van De Water dec[d]

An Ordinance for new paving Wall Street from Queen Street to the Wall Plate at the Slip, was passed by the Board.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Ald[n] Furman on Acc[t] towards the Expences of the Committee for prevent[g] infectious Distempers being brought into this City.....	£200:—:—
issued	Rinier Skaats on acc[t] for fire Wood for the Court Rooms	£50:—:—

issued	Jacob Clinch for his attendance as Clerk at the Election the 2d Ward	16:—
issued	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Wells & Pumps in the 4th Ward	£50:10:11
issued	James Culbertson for the City Watchmen	£38:17:—
	& for extra Watchmen to quell a Riot	4:16:—
issued	Aldn Stoutenburgh for Repairs to a Street	£2: 6: 3
issued	Christopher Halsted for a Shed at the Goal to cover the fire Hooks & Ladders	£11:15: 6
issued	James Hubbard for removing the fire Engine House in Greenwich Street	2: 2: 6
issued	William J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests taken on dead Bodies	£35:12: 6

[79] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 24th day of October 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Frederick Stymets	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Garret Harsen	
Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
Peter P Van Zandt		Tobias Van Zandt	
Theophilus Beekman		George Janeway	
John Campbell		Mangel Minthorne	

Ordered that the Street Committee be authorized to agree with Mr Williams to plant Trees in the Fields* at 4/ each—he to warrant their growth.

On a suggestion that the Inhabitants slacken in their Zeal to keep the necessary night Watch for preventing the introduction of the infectious distemper from Philadelphia by Passengers being landed in the Night And that it would be expedient to employ an additional number of City Watchmen for the purpose.

Ordered that 24 additional Watchmen be engaged for the purpose aforesaid under the direction of the Committee for preventing the introduction of the infectious Distemper.

Ordered that Tunis Ricker be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 14 vice Nichs Morrise resigned And Miles Hitchcock to No 12 vice John Arthur resigned.

* Marginal note reads *Parks*.—Ed.

[80] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of October 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Peter P Van Zandt John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorne Frederick Stymets Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post	Assistts

Ordered that one of the City Watchmen be stationed at each of the fire Engine Houses in the 7th Ward.

An Estimate & Assessmt for digging out & paving Robinson Street was read & ratified by the Board And James Warner was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessment And Jacob Eames to dig out and James Warner to pave the said Street.

Oliver Glean an Assessor for the 6th Ward attended & took the Oath of Office as prescribed & directed by Charter.

Ordered that in the Grant of the Soil under Water in Hudsons River intended to be made to Richard Harison a Quit Rent be reserved of one Shilling per foot to commence in three Months from this day

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn Furman on account towards the new Bason at Thames Slip	£200:—:—
issued	Aldn Furman on acct towards the Expences of the Committee for prevents the introduction of infectious Distempers	£200:—:—
issued	[81] Alexr Lamb for his Company of City Watchmen...	£44:17:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£50: 5:—
issued	James Wing for lamp Oil.....	£70: 3:—
issued	Daniel Burger for Repairs to Pumps in the 7th Ward....	£38:14: 8
issued	The same for the like 5th Ward.....	£37: 3: 1

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Novr 4th 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Peter P Van Zandt, Nichs Bayard, Wynant Van Zandt, Gabriel Furman, John Campbell, Theophs Beekman, Isaac Stoutenburgh

Assistts: George Janeway, Garret Harsen, Mangel Minthorne, Frederick Stymets, Anthony Post

Mr Mayor & the Board proceeded to visit the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell & being returned the Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Books & Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House and Bridewell & found them just and right

Those of the Alms House for the last Qr..... £1787: 8:10
Do Bridewell 315:15:11½

An Estimate of the Commissioners for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved by the Board vizt

For the use of the Alms House..... £1600:—:—
Do Bridewell ..... 200:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for the payment thereof accordingly.

Ordered that the Commissioners supply the School Master of the Alms House with two Cords of fire Wood.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 2 & the Assistt of the 1 Wards be a Committee to direct the necessary supply of new Caps or Hats for the City Watchmen

[82] A Petition of John B Coles to erect a Mill on the Stream of Harlem River was read & referred to the Road Committee

Ordered that Adam Mildeberger be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 15 vice John Wallgrove removed from the City

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued James Culbertson for the City Watch..... £38:17:—
issued The same for the additional Watch to guard agt persons from Phils landing in the Night time..... £18: 9:—
issued The Same for himself & another for guards the Improvements at the Battery &c..... 26:11:—
issued William Sloo for the Constables and Marshalls conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell..... 23:17: 6
issued Jeremh Smith for Repairs to public Pumps..... £9: 3:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of Novr 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman, Nicholas Bayard, Wynant Van Zandt, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, John Campbell } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Mangel Minthorne, Frederick Stymets, Anthony Post, George Janeway } Assistts

On a reconsideration of the Survey & Regulation lately made of Wall Street from Queen Street to the River And of the Ordinance passed the 21st Ulto for paving the said Street agreably thereto

Ordered that the same be repealed

Then the Street Committee reported the following Regulation for the said Street which was agreed to by the Board as follows vizt

"Descent from the northerly Kennel in Queen Street to the intersection of Water [83] Street 3 $^{22}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet. from thence Descent 1¼ Inch on 10 feet to the Ground near the Wall Plate; Conformable to this the southerly Kennel in Queen Street must be raised 7½ Inches—Opposite the House of Peter P. Van Zandt Esqr it requires raising 1 foot 9 Inches At the intersection of Water Street it requires raising 1 foot 3 Inches—At the end of 117 feet further it requires lowering 4 Inches. At the intersection of Front Street it requires raising 2 Inches And the Ground near the Wall Plate will remain as it is."

And Then an Ordinance for paving the said Street agreable to the above Regulation was passed by the Board.

A Petition of Walter & John Townsend to erect a Mill on the Stream of Harlem River was read & referred to the Road Comtee

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Alexr Lamb for the City Watchmen.....	£38: 17: —
issued	The same for the additional Watch to guard agt Persons from Phila landing in the night time.....	18: 9: —
issued	Jonathan Pearssee for subsisting criminal Prisoners in Goal from October 1792 to Septr 1793 inclusive.....	£227: 7: 9

[84] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Novr 18th 1793

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh Wynant Van Zandt Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Peter P Van Zandt John Campbell Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen George Janeway Mangel Minthorne Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Frederick Stymets	Assistts

A Petition for the new paving of Rider Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the Clerk notify Simon and Rem Remsen that if they do not immediately agree to accept and take out Grants of the Water Lots in front of their Lots on the East side of Burlings Slip and engage to erect the Pier to form the East side of the Slip, (agreable to the Terms on which this Board offered to grant the said Water Lots to them & John Riker) by the first day of August next the said Water Lots will be sold to the highest Bidder.

The following Regulation for Reade Street from Greenwich Street to the River was reported by the Street Committee & agreed to by the Board vizt [85] "Dig the center of Greenwich Street at the intersection of Read Street five feet 9 Inches, conformable to the Regulation of Read Street East of Greenwich Street, Thence descent, from the westerly range of Greenwich Street 100 feet distance towards the River, 1½ Inch on 10 feet. Thence descent 170 feet distance with 4 $^{8}/_{00}$ Inches on 10 feet to the present Dock in order to reserve within the 170 feet a descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet for a Distance of 560 feet further into the River."

On a representation of the Company of fire Engine No 7 that from it's great Size two additional fire Men were necessary. Ordered that two additional fire Men be allowed accordingly

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

No 13 Peter Fenton vice James J Beekman resigned—James Pritchet vice William Post resigned. And Samuel Brewster vice John Bockey displaced for neglect of Duty.

No 17. Matthias Mount vice James Butler resigned.

No 19. Simon Demarest vice Wm Perrian

N° 2. James Philips vice Daniel Betts displaced for neglect of Duty.

On a representation from the Committee for preventing the introduction of infectious Distempers that the additional night Watch was become unnecessary Ordered that the said Watch excepting four men be discontinued

Ordered that the Treasurer demand of Richard Furman the amount of the Monies assessed for the opening & continuing of Roosevelt Street [86] to the River and that the same be credited to the revenue fund.

Ordered that a Stand be assigned to Ebenezer Winshop in the Hudson Market

Ordered that Jacob Abrahams be appointed a fire Warden vice Col° Anthony Post resigned.

Ordered that the Clerk publish in the New Papers a recommendation to the Inspectors of fire places Chimnies &c in the several Wards to inspect the several fire places Stoves & Ash Pits in their respective Wards and to report all such as they shall find dangerous & contrary to Law

Ordered that Ald^{n} W Van Zandt with the Clerk make the necessary arrangement for a Corporation Dinner on Monday next. the 25th Instant being the anniversary of the Evacuation of this City by the British Troops and to supply the Militia with Gun Powder not exceeding 200 ^{lb}.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Ald^{n} Furman the further Sum of £500. towards discharging the Acc^{ts} against the Committee for prevent^{g} the introduction of infectious Distempers	
issued	Lieut. John Lovell for the Services of a Detachment of light Horse on a late Riot.....	£29:12:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Salary & Disbursem^{ts}.....	£10:14:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£38:17:—
issued	The same for additional River Watch.....	£26: 5:—
issued	George Collis for Blacksmith Work to Pumps.....	£3:19: 7½
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£38:17:—
issued	The same for additional River Watch.....	£18: 9:—

[87] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of Decr 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P Van Zandt John Campbell Theophilus Beekman Nicholas Bayard Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Mangel Minthorne Tobias Van Zandt Frederick Stymets George Janeway	Assistts

A Memorial of John Ramsay on the Subject of his Mill lately erected on the Stream of Harlem River at Kings Bridge.

A Petition of Samuel Ellis and others for enlarging Hudsons Market.

A Petition of the Inhabitants in Partition Street for numbering the Houses

And a Petition from the Mechanick Society with a plan for rendering the Piece of Ground, at the upper end of Chatham Street lately purchased by the Society, more square & convenient for the erection of a Hall for the said Society; were respectively read & referred to the Committee for Streets and Roads.

An Estimate and Assessment for the digging out and filling in of Lombard Street from Catharine Street to Rutgers Street was read & ratified by the Board and Henry Bogardus, John Meyer & Thomas Eagles were appointed to superintend the Work And David Harriot to collect the Monies on the said Assessment

Ordered that the Commissioners of the Alms House and Bridewell occupy two Rooms in the Bridewell in like Manner as directed by the Order of the 6th Decr 1791*

[88] On a suggestion that an œconomical reform might be made in the collection of Wharfage and Slippage Ordered that Aldn Campbell & Messrs Stymets and Harsen be a Committee to enquire into the Circumstances of that Business and to report to the Board any Reform they may conceive beneficial.

Ordered that Aaron Pell be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 9 vice Richard Ten Eyck removed from this City.

* Error of the clerk. The date should be 1792.—Ed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Aldn Furman the further Sum of £100 on account towards the New Bason at Thames Slip.	
issued	Alexr Lamb for his Compy City Watchmen.....	£75:15:—
issued	The same for the additional River Watch.....	£26: 5:—
issued	James Culbertson for his Compy City Watch.....	£44:19:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting public Lamps.....	£50: 5:—
issued	John Hide for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the evacuation of this City by the british Troops.....	£29:18:—
issued	Snowden & Swartwout for Gun Powder for the Militia on the above Occasion.....	£4:12: 3
issued	John McLean for the like for the Artillery.....	£21: 1: 9
issued	The Sextons of the several Churches for ringing the Bells 12/ each.....	£7: 4:—

[89] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of December 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen
Theophilus Beekman		Mangel Minthorne
John Campbell		Nicholas Carmer
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway
Nicholas Bayard		Tobias Van Zandt
		Anthony Post
		Frederick Stymets

Assistants

Ordered that the new constructed Sled for transporting the fire Engines on the Snow be applied to the use of Engine N° 18—that another be made for N° 19 in the 7th Ward And, if the Company conceive it necessary, another for N° 17.

The Board went into the consideration of the Application of the Committee for erecting a Bridge across Harlem River at Morrisania.

Resolved that this Board will demise so much of the Soil from high to low Water Mark in the said River as may be necessary for the purposes of the said Bridge, for the Term mentioned in the Law granting the proprietors of the said Bridge a Toll, reserving a Rent of one Pepper Corn per annum.*

A Petition of Stephen McCrea & others for postponing the execution of the Ordinance for digging out and filling in Lombard Street until next Spring was read And it appearing that the Estimate & Assessment for executing the Work were already ratified by the Board and the Assessment in the hands of the Collector and also that the

* Marginal note reads *see after entry on this Subject.*—Ed.

Persons employed to execute the Work had commenced the Business the Board determined that the prayer could not be granted

[90] On reading an Application of John De Lancey to purchase some of the Common Lands The Question was raised, Whether it would be expedient to proceed immediately to the sale of any more of the Common Lands, & it was determined, nem. con, in the Negative.

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t} The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Dyckman praying a Survey of the Bowery Lane may be made Report that they have caused a Survey of that part of the Bowery Lane to be made by running a streight Line, beginning at the division Line, between the Land of Nicholas Bayard Esq^{r} and Thomas Tucker and extending to the Land of David Deas; agreable to which as the Fence now stands Thomas Tucker will gain 2268 square feet and Dyckman 2281 square feet and that Samuel Jones Esq^{r} will lose 4662 square feet and Matthew Buys 2763 square feet."

Dec^{r} 9th 1793

Isaac Stoutenburgh
John Campbell
Theo^{s} Beekman
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorne
Gabriel Furman
} Com^{tee}

A Survey of the above mentioned Line was also approved of by the Board

Ordered that the same Committee confer with the proprietors of the said Land on the subject of the said Regulation

On reading a Petition of the Inhabitants in the Vicinity of Hudsons Market House

Ordered that they be permitted to enlarge the said Market by erecting a Market House of twenty feet in Wedth in Vesey Street between Greenwich and Washington Streets under the Direction of the Street Committee.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

[91] M^{r} Frederick Stymets to be applied towards the
issued Support of Lidia Wentworth & her blind Children the Sum of ..... £10:—:—

issued Peter Hardenbrook for Repairs to ferry Street Common Sewer £9:15: 3

issued John Day for the same..... £12: 2: 6

issued Mich^{l} Brooks for painting & glazing City Hall..... £14:15: 5

issued Jon^{a} Pearssee for the expences of a Guard at the Goal.. 1:10: 1½

issued Casimir T Gœrick for Survey^{g} Streets &^{c}..... 92: 6:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of December 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Theophs Beekman John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh Peter P Van Zandt Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorne Tobias Van Zandt Anthony Post Garret Harsen George Janeway Nicholas Carmer Frederick Stymets

Assistts

An Estimate and Assessment for the paving of Lumber Street (which was received on the and the consideration thereof postponed) was read and ratified by the Board & George Gosman was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessmt

On reading a Petition of the Neighborhood.

Ordered that all Operations on the Ordinance for digging out & filling in of Lombard Street from Catharine Street to Rutgers Street be suspended until next Spring.

A Petition from the firemen of Engine No 19 situate in the seventh Ward setting forth that from the remote Situation of the said Engine from the body of the City they find it difficult to transport it & therefore pray an addition of two Men; was read & granted.

[92] An Estimate and Assessment for the digging out Reade Street from the East side of Greenwich Street to the River was presented to the Board & read and ratified, amounting to £101.— £69:12:2 whereof they had assessed on the Corporation of Trinity Church & £31:7:10 on Mr Frederick Rhinelander. And it being suggested that he would undertake to execute the Work for £90 including the Surveyors fees of 40/ the Board appointed him to execute the Work accordingly and that the said Sum of £90 be paid between him & the said Corporation agreable to the ratio of the above Assessment

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Elias Burger Junr for erecting a Bulkhead across Crown Street Slip	£98:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£56: 7:—
issued	Nichs Carmer for the ballce of his Acct for Improvements at the Battery & about the Govt House	£7:16: 2
issued	Isaac Van Deursen for repairs to the Iron Grates at the Wall Street Com: Sewer	£1:10: 6
issued	Edward Meeks for an Iron Brake to the Pump in Wall Street	£1:13:—
issued	The same for Iron Work to Lamps	£4:18: 8

[93] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of December 1793.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P Van Zandt Nicholas Bayard Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorne George Janeway Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Tobias Van Zandt	Assistts

A Petition of Abraham Franklin for permission to use the fire Engine, No 18 of which he is foreman, in the Watering of his Ship on the Stocks; was read & granted

A Petition of Henry Bogardus, John Myers & Thomas Eagles, who were appointed to dig out Lombard Street, complaining of the suspension of that business until next Spring; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Lamplighters for an encrease of Wages was read & referred to the Lamp Comtee

An Acct of David Waldron *was* for Repairs to the public Roads, was referred to the Road Committee to report what Allowance should be made to him for the superintendance of the Business & Use of his Horse & Cart

The Street Committee reported That agreable to the Accts of Richard Furman who was appointed to superintend the digging out and filling in of the Bowery Lane, there has been expended fifty Pounds 12/7 over and above the amount of the Assessment and other Monies received for Earth Also three Pounds more will be necessary to compleat the said Work. The Committee are of Opinion that a further Assessment ought to be made to compleat the Work and to reimburse [94] the aforesaid Sum and also to include sixteen pounds as a compensation for superintending the Business.

Ordered that an Ordinance issue for a further Assessment on the same Houses & Lots for raising the Sum of £69:12:7 the amount of the said several Sums mentioned in the said Report accordingly

The Street Committee delivered in the following Report on the Petition for numbering the Houses in Partition Street; which was read & agreed to by the Bd "That the following Method in the Opinion of your Committee will be the most simple and convenient. Beginning at the next House in every Street terminating at either of

the Rivers where such Street intersects the main Street next to the River and all Houses below such intersecting Street to be numbered separately beginning with N° 1 looking upwards in all main Streets and downwards in all the Slips on the one side of the Street and N° 2 on the opposite side and so on to the end of the Street or Slip That all Streets be numbered separately as far as they are known & distinguished by the name by which they are called as for example: From the Intersection of Duke Street down to the East River is called Old Slip from the said Duke Street to the Intersection of Maiden Lane Smith Street from thence to the Intersection of Frankfort Street William Street and from thence to the Intersection of Queen Street King George Street That from the Intersection of Pearl Street and Whitehall Street to the River be called Whitehall Slip And be numbered begininng [95] at the said Intersection and in like Manner with all the other Slips both on the East and North Rivers. That Greenwich Street be the boundary of the Intersection Streets on the West side and Great Dock Street Hanover Square Queen & Cherry Streets on the East side of this City. That a Board be put up at each end of every Street with the Name of the Street and an Index or hand pointing towards the Street painted thereon, That one of the Surveyors of this City be employed to make the numbers on the Houses with Chalk and notify the Occupants thereof and a Painter to mark the number with Paint on the front of the House near the Door. That any Occupant of any House may be permitted to put up the number at his or her own expence provided it be done within twenty Days after such Notice and that the Subject of this Report be put under the direction of a Committee of this Board to see the same carried into immediate execution.

New York Decr 26th 1793.

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Theos Beekman
Peter P Van Zandt
Gabriel Furman
John Campbell
Garrit Harsen.
} Comtee

Ordered that Aldn Stoutenburgh & Beekman and Mr Harsen be a Committee for carrying the said Report into execution.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued Hugh Montgomery for so much assessed on the Corporation for paving Pecks Slip Street..... £31: 7: 2

issued Aldn Campbell on Acct towards Improvements in the Fields ..... £100:—:—

issued	Aldn Furman on Acct towards Expences of the Committee for preventing infectious Distempers.....	£260:—:—
issued	Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied to the Relief of Indigent Families.....	£50:—:—
issued	[96] Abm Van Gelder for lighting public Lamps.....	£50: 5:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	The same for pursuing Felons.....	£1:10:—
issued	Childs & Swaine for printing.....	£21:12:—
issued	Joseph Shelvey public Whipper.....	£10:15:—
issued	Willson Rawson for lamp Oil.....	£11: 3: 6
issued	Matthew Bolmer for provender for the Horses employed on Improvements in the Fields.....	£32:14: 7
issued	Antho Post for Repairs to Hudson & Exchange Markets	£5:11: 7

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of Janr 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophilus Beekman Peter P Van Zandt Gabriel Furman John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Anthony Post Garret Harsen Frederick Stymets Nicholas Carmer George Janeway	Assistts

The Clerk presented to the Board a Release to Francis Bayard Winthrop & George Lindsay of a certain Piece of Ground, in the fourth Ward, which was formerly & before the Alteration of Greenwich Street used as a Street; which said Release was read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that John Harrison & Israel Haviland be appointed additional firemen to Engine No 7 & that Jeremiah Wood & Willet Coles be appointed to the same Engine vice George Peck resigned & Jon Sticlen decd And Wm Moor to No 5 vice John Cole resigned.

[97] The Treasurer by order of the Board having made an Estimate of the Monies required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences of the City this present Year Mr Mayor laid the same before the Board for their consideration and the said Estimate being examined was approved by the Board and is as follows vizt

"Estimate of Expences of the City & County of New York for the Year 1794 including Fees of Collection & other Deductions vizt

City & County.	£
Support of Poor & Repairs to the Alms House & Materials.....	9,600
Subsisting criminal Prisoners in Goal and Bridewell & for Repairs & Improvemts thereon	1,200
Repairing public Roads & regulating and improving Streets.....	1,400
Extra Expenditures by the Corporation in compleating Improvemts at the Battery & about the Govt House & in front of the Goal Alms House & Bridewell.....	1,000
Contingent Expences	800
	£14,000

City So of the Line	£	
City Watchmen & Expences attending them.....	2,700	
Public Lamps, Oil, lighting & Repairs.....	2,700	
Public Wells & Pumps and other contingt Expences.....	600	
		6,000
		£20,000

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Then a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to authorize the raising of the said Monies by Tax was read & agreed to by the Board.

Also a Petition to the Legislature for Means to reimburse this Corporation for Monies by them advanced & expended in the Measures taken to prevent the malignant Fever being introduced into this State from Phila

[98] Ordered that the Common Seal of this City be affixed to the said Petitions & that Mr Mayor subscribe them on behalf of this Bd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Jacob Harsen on Acct towards Repairs to the public Roads	£180:—:—
issued	David Waldron on Acct for the like.....	£90:—:—
issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards the New Watch House..	£90:—:—
issued	Peter Van Steenbergh for Surveying.....	£29: 2:—

Ordered that an addition of Ten Pounds per Ann. to Rinier Skaats's Salary for his Services as Doorkeeper & Messenger be made to commence with this present Quarter.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of January 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Nicholas Bayard		Garret Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Post	
Peter P Van Zandt		Tobias Van Zandt	
Gabriel Furman		Mangel Minthorne	
Wynandt Van Zandt		George Janeway	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	

Mr Mayor laid before the Board the Certificates and Vouchers to support the Claim of this Bd against the Public for the Arms & Accoutrements taken out of the City Hall & furnished to the Continental Troops raised by this State in the Year 1775

[99] Ordered that a Petition to the Congress of the United States for payment of the said Arms & Accoutrements be prepared by the Clerk & reported to the Board.

A Representation, from the Commissioners appointed to aid the Magistrates in the execution of the Street Law, respecting certain Nuisances in this City, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a Letter from the Commissrs for managing a Lottery to raise Money for the Building of Church at Middle Town Point in New Jersey, for the use of the Wheels used in the drawing of the late public Lottery in this City.

Ordered that the Clerk write to Mr John Pintard for information respecting the said Wheels & if not disposed of that they be lent to said Commissioners.

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Subject of the Alms House and it was determined that the present Buildings were become unfit for the comfortable accommodation of the Poor and in so ruinous a Condition as not to justify the expending any more Monies thereon in repairs Whereupon it was determined that a Petition be presented to the Legislature for leave to set on foot a Lottery for the raising of £10,000 to defray the Expences of erecting a new Building competent for the Purpose.

Then a petition to the Legislature for leave to set on foot the said Lottery was read and agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board & transmit it to the Members from this City in Senate & Assembly

[100] The Committee for cancelling small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to Ashes the following Worn out & defaced Notes viz[t]

7000	of 3[d]		£87:10:—
6000	2[d]		50:—:—
6000	1[d]		25:—:—
			£162:10:—

The Road Committee reported that the Superint[end]ants on Repairs to the public Roads ought to be allowed at the rate of fourteen Shillings per Day including the use of a Horse & Cart; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that John Pell & George F. Dominick be appointed additional fire Men to Engine N° 19.

Willson Rawlison to Engine N° 2 vice Jacamiah Ackerley resigned.

Matthew West to Hook & Ladder N° 1 vice John Montanye resigned

And John Clem to Engine N° 11 vice John Nichol deceased

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Ald[n] Furman on acc[t] towards the new Bason at Thames & little Queen Street	£56: 6: 1
issued	The same towards the Expences of the Committee for prevent[g] the spreading of infectious Dissease	£157:10: 6
issued	Ab[m] Outenbogert towards sinking a Well in Winne Street	£18: 8:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for fire Wood for C[t] Room	£20:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for the City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for the like	£56: 7:—
issued	Stagg & Gosman for paving G[t] Geo. & Greenwich Streets	£95:12: 3
issued	David Waldron for ballce repairg Roads	£24: 3: 9
issued	Jacob Harsen for the like	£38:12: 9
issued	Benj[a] Haight for Watchmens Hats	£33:16:—
issued	Sam[l] Delamater for 2 fire Buckets	£1:13:—
issued	John Day for Carpenters Work at the Mouth of Roosevelt Street Common Sewer	£9: 4: 7
issued	[101] Ald[n] W Van Zandt for Repairs to Coenties Wharf	£6: 7:—
issued	The same for Repairs to Brooklyn ferry H[s]	£75:11: 6
issued	The same for erecting New & Repairg Old Wharfs at Brooklyn	£153: 9: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday feb^{y} 3^{d} 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh, Wynant Van Zandt, Theophilus Beekman, Nicholas Bayard, Gabriel Furman, John Campbell } Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}

George Janeway, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Post, Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorne, Frederick Stymets, Tobias Van Zandt } Assist^{ts}

M^{r} Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards & examined the State of the Alms House & Bridewell,

The Committee of Acc^{ts} reported that they had examined those of the Alms House for the last Q^{r} amounting to..... £1946:15: 5¼
And those of the Bridewell amount^{g} to..... 352: 0: 3

An Estimate of the Commiss^{rs} for the ensuing Q^{r} was approved viz^{t}

Alms House ..... £1600:—:—
Bridewell ..... 200:—:—

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} for the payment of the s^{d} Sums accordingly.

A Petition of Nathan Stiles for the loan of the Auger for boring Wells was read. Ordered that he be informed that the Board want the Use of it in the Spring & therefore that he cannot have it.

[102] On the Application of Eliakim Ford, John G. Leake & Thomas Marston Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman, John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine & determine whether sufficient Foundations can be laid on their respective Lots, situate that of Eliakim Ford on the West side of James Slip —that of John G. Leake on the North side of the Slip front^{g} little Queen Street And that of Thomas Marston on the Wharf between Wall Street & the Fly Market Slips, to bear Buildings of Stone or Brick.

A Representation of the Commiss^{rs} for superintending the Building a Bridge across Harlem River As also of John B Coles on the Subject of the privilege of erecting a Mill at the said Bridge were read & referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Edward Livingston relative to the Corner Lot at the end of Pearl Street at the Battery was read & referred to the Mayor & Recorder for their Opinion.

A Petition of James Lawrence for the appointment to the Office of Wharfinger was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

Ordered that the Committee on the erection of the new Watch House fit up the upper Room for the accomodation of the High Constable

Ordered that James Devanport be appointed public Whipper vice Joseph Shelvey removed from that Office.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Aldn Campbell on Acct towards Improvements in front of Alms Hs	£100:—:—
issued	Evert Bancker on Acct for Surveying &c	£30:—:—
issued	[103] Aldn Campbell for Work done by order of the Street Committee	£24: 9: 2
issued	Alexr Anderson for repairs Desks for the Supreme Court Bench	£1: 6:—
issued	John Goodeve for Box Candles	£3: 7: 4
issued	Cornse B Sebring for Blacksmiths Work to the City Hall	£5:12:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps	£50: 5:—
issued	Wm Sloo for conveying Vagrants to Bridewell	£13:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£56: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday febv 17th 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Gerret Harsen	Assistts
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post	
Peter P Van Zandt		Mangle Minthorne	
Theophilus Beekman		Frederick Stymets	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
		Nicholas Carmer	
		Tobias Van Zandt	

Ordered that the Street Committee direct to be made and reported to the Board a Survey of the Bounds of the Water Lots between Wall Street Slip & the Ferry Stairs as to their length from Front Street into the River.

A proposal of Zebina Curtis & others for conveying Water into this City was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[104] A Petition of Isaac Roosevelt and others proprietors of Water Lots on the East River proposing & recommending an uniform Line of Wharfs to front the River, was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Messrs Ackerly & Kerly for the exclusive privilege and use of the open Water Lot on the South side of Water Street

and opposite to the continuation of Roosevelt Street, was read & referred to Aldn W. Van Zandt & Messrs Stymets & Minthorne

Aldn Stoutenburgh from the Committee appointed to assist & advise the Treasurer in letting out the Corporation Lots reported that by their advice the Treasurer had let the remaining part of the House & Lot purchased of Thomas White for continuing Roosevelt Street to the River to Mr Tobias Van Zandt (he being the first applicant) at the annual Rent of forty Pounds and the Taxes & Repairs. for such Term as the Bd shall determine; which Report was agreed to by the Board And was determined that the Term be twelve Years from the first day of May next

Ordered that the same Committee take order for letting the corner Lot adjoining the House of Mr Ackerly on Cherry Street. for the like Term.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Rinier Skaats Door Keeper & Messenger 1 Qr Allowance & 8/ Disbursements.....	12:18:—
issued	Archd McLean for printing.....	£18: 1:—
issued	Swartwoudt & Dumont for Window Glass.....	£6: 4: 6
issued	Jacob Fee for glazing the Goal.....	£2: 9: 4
issued	Josiah Furman for repairs Lamps.....	£66:19: 1
issued	Michl Brooks for the like.....	£42: 8: 2

[105] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of February 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh, Peter P Van Zandt, Theophilus Beekman, Wynant Van Zandt } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Tobias Van Zandt, Mangel Minthorn, Frederick Stymets, Anthony Post, George Janeway } Assists

The Street Committee reported a Survey of the Water Lots between Wall Street Slip & the Ferry Stairs from which it appears that John Murray Junr in the erection of his Store House last Summer hath made an encroachment by extending that Building thirty five feet farther towards the River than by his Grant he had a right to do and contrary to the determination of this Board of the 27th May last And it also appears that Mr Kip in laying the Foundation of a Store House adjoining that of Mr Murray intended to follow Mr Murrays example.

Then a Petition of Thomas Marston Henry H Kip and John Murray Junr was read setting forth a variety of Reasons for permitting Mr Murrays Store House to remain in its present situation until it shall be deemed necessary to regulate & open the said Street And praying that it may so remain and that they the said Thomas Marston and Henry H Kip may erect their Store Houses in conformity thereto.

Resolved that the Prayer of the said Petition cannot be granted.

An Application of Robert Gilchrist on behalf of the Heirs of Nicholas Roosevelt for a Compensation on the loss of Ground by the Alteration [106] & new Regulation of Greenwich Street was read and referred to Aldn Stoutenburg & Messrs Van Zandt & Harsen.

A Petition of Edmund Prior Exr of Joseph Clement decd & Wm Mott Exr of Saml Mott decd and of John Cross for himself relative to a Gang Way running along the Rear of the Lots sold by this Corporation to the said Joseph Clements Samuel Mott & John Cross situate on the Corner of Water Street & the West side of Pecks Slip Street; which said Gang way is now claimed by Richard Mulheron; was read & referred to Aldn P. Van Zandt & Beekman & Mr Van Zandt

On reading a Petition from a number of proprietors & Occupants of Houses & Lots in Smith Street.

Ordered that Smith Street from Duke Street to Maiden Lane, William Street from Maiden Lane to Francfort Street and King George Street from Francfort Street to Queen Street be considered as one continued Street and that it be called William Street.

Ordered also that the Broad Way beginning at the Govt House and ending at Vesey Street and Gt George Street from Vesey Street to the Sand Hill cross Road be considered one continued Street and that it be called Broad Way.

Then it was moved that Pearl Street, Great Dock Street, Hanover Square & Queen Street be considered one continued Street and that it be called Pearl Street, Upon which Debates arose & the Question being put on the said Motion it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

Negative	Affirmative
Aldn P. Van Zandt	Aldn Stoutenburgh
Aldn W Van Zandt	Aldn Beekman
Mr Van Zandt	Mr Harsen
Mr Janeway.	Mr Minthorn
	Mr Stymets
	Mr Post

[107] Thereupon Ordered that the said several Streets be considered one continued Street and that it be called Pearl Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued James Culbertson for the City Watchmen..... £56: 7:—
issued Alexr Lamb the like..... £56: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th day of March 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Wynandt Van Zandt John Campbell Peter P Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorne Anthony Post Tobias Van Zandt Frederick Stymets	Assistants

Ordered that the Street Committee report at the next Meeting the Survey directed of the Water Lots on the East River with the Line to form the front Wharf along the said River.

A Petition of Peter Merselus & others relative to the expence of paving Robinsons Street was read & it was determined that the prayer thereof could not be granted.

Ordered that the City Watchmen be allowed four Shillings each & the Assistants five Shillgs each the year round.

Ordered that Samuel Riker be a fireman to Engine No 14 vice James Sculthorpe resigned And Simeon Skilling to No 2 vice Daniel Bayley resigned.

[108] Alderman Furman having in the Year 1784 purchased the Improvements on Lots No 120, 121 & 122 being the Corner of Queen Street & Chatham Street & for which he was to have had a Lease for 21 Years at the rate of £18 per Annum & the said Lease not having been made out & issued to him agreable to the Order of the Board he now informs the Board that he has sold the Improvements on the said Lots to Henry Titus & prays the Board that a Lease be made out & executed to the said Henry Titus for the residue of the said Term accordingly.

Ordered that a Lease be made out to Mr Titus for the said three Lots & that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Wm Hardenbrook for 2 Lamps.....	£5:10:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£50: 5:—

The Auditing Committee report that they have examined the Accts of Richard Varick Mayor for Market Fees received & paid by him from the 31st Decr 1792 to the 29th Decr last. That the Mayor has recd from James Culbertson & Rinier Skaats in full for Fees collected by them the Sum of £1590:15:10d and that he has paid to Daniel Phœnix City Treasurer £795:7:11 on that Acct That the Mayor has also recd for 566 Tavern Licences the Sum of £849. That he has paid thereout £6:10 for printing the Licences—that he has paid to Robt Benson the Clk for one fifth of the Residue amounting to £168:10/ That he has retained an equal Sum in his own Hands & has paid to Mr Phœnix City Treasr the ballance being £505:10/.

Wynant Van Zandt
Nichs Carmer
George Janeway
} Auditg Comtee

[109] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of March 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor.

John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer	
Theophs Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
Peter P Van Zandt		Gerrit Harsen	
Wynant Van Zandt		Tobias Van Zandt	
Nichs Bayard		George Janeway	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Frederick Stymets	

Ordered that Aldn P. Van Zandt & Furman & Mr Carmer be a Committee to confer with Mr Pearsall & the other Proprietors of the Lots part of which will be required for the widening of John Street into Pearl Queen Street.

Ordered that permission be given to the Inhabitants in little Dock Street to sink a Well in such part of the said Street as the Aldn & Assist of the Ward shall direct.

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Messrs Harsen & Carmer be a Committee to direct a Survey of the Water Lots on Front Street between the Fly Market & Burling Slip.

Ordered that the Committee on Improvements in the *Fields employ a Person to keep the Boys & Cattle from injuring the Trees

A Petition of Caleb Hyat & others was read & referred to the Road Committee.

The Committee on the Petition of the Corporation Tenants in William Street praying a reimbursement of the Monies by them [110] respectively paid for paving the Street reported that they had examined their respective Vouchers & that they had paid the following Sums, excepting Leonard Fisher who has already been paid £4:9:8 above his assessment

Joseph Cheesman 2 Lots	£12:13:10¾
Christian Bloom 1 Do	8:12: 5¼
Sarah Thomas 1 Do	6: 6:11½
Mrs Kearney 1 Do	5:16: 8¾
William Veal 1 Do	5: 3: 5
William Snyder	0:18: 8½
Daniel Shaffer	0:16: 4
Valentine Arnold	4:11: 5
William Lowndes	4:18: 8¾
Andrew Durham	4:18: 2¾
Cathn McAvey	4:14: 8¾
John Hartwick } Leonard Fisher }	15:13: 0¾
Cash pd him by the Corporation	£20: 2: 9
overpaid him	4: 9: 8¾

Ordered that the Treasurer credit the above Sums to the said Tenants accordgly

A Request of Wm Lupton for the appointment of five Persons according to Law to examine his Lot, filled in the River between the Fly Market & Burling Slip, whether it will bear a Foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick, was read & George Gosman John Stagg John Moore James Robinson & John Day were appointed accordingly.

A Petition for the new paving of New Street from Wall Street to Verlettenbergh Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Theophs Marselus respecting the Office of a Fire Man was read & rejected.

[111] A Petition for an Order to compel the filling in of the lower end of Greenwich Street agreable to its regulation was read and granted.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	The Commissn of the Alms House to be applied towards the Relief of Indigent families	£35:—:—
issued	John Graham for repairing Lamps	£2: 2: 9

* Marginal note reads *Park.*—ED.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the first day of April 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Nicholas Bayard
John Campbell
Peter P Van Zandt
Wynant Van Zandt
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Theoph[s] Beekman
Gabriel Furman
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

George Janeway
Frederick Stymets
Nicholas Carmer
Garret Harsen
Tobias Van Zandt
Anthony Post
} Assist[ts]

In pursuance of the Statute for regulating Elections the Board proceeded to elect Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Senators and Members of Assembly, and the following Persons were duly elected in their respective Wards viz[t]

first Ward
Jacob Morton
Robert Gilchrist
Simon Schermerhorn

second Ward
Daniel M[c]Cormick
Thomas Buchanan
William Edgar

third Ward
Moses Rogers
John Young
Henry Ten Broeck

fourth Ward
Ahasuerus Turk
Henry Roome
Jacob Abramse

[112] fifth Ward
Samuel Osgood
John Buchanan
William Newton

sixth Ward
Matthew Bolmer
Jacobus Verveelen
James Brown

seventh Ward
Henry Rutgers
Cornelius C Roosevelt
Robert Rutgers Jun[r]

Rem Rapalye & Edward Williams Assessors for the seventh Ward appeared at the Board & took & subscribed the Oath of Office as by Law & the Charter is prescribed & directed

A Petition of William Valleau for the Indulgence of erecting a Bulkhead & filling the same in, so far into the River in front of his Ship Yard at Corlaers Hook as to enable him to launch Ships was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Request of Herman LeRoy to plant Trees in front of his House in the Broad Way was granted under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist[s] of the Ward.

An Ordinance for paving Murray Street from the Broad Way to Chappel Street was read & passed by the Board

On reading a Petition of the Corporation of the Episcopal Church for a grant of the Water Lots in front of their Land North of Reade Street, the Board determined that the Prayer could not be granted as the Board have reserved those Lots for public Use: But on a suggestion that the Reason of the application for the said Grant was to enable the said Corporation to dispose of the Earth to be dug out of Greenwich Street, Ald^{n} Campbell & Mess^{rs} Janeway & Post were appointed a Committee to confer with them on the Subject

[113] The Committee on the Subject of the public Wharfinger made a Report and they were directed to confer with the Wharfinger on the Subject of the Commission allowed him for collecting the Wharfage & Slippage & to report their Opinion thereon.

Then a Petition of James Lawrence to be appointed an additional Wharfinger was read & rejected.

A Request of Gardiner Baker keeper of the Museum for the use of the small Corner Lot at the end of Pearl Street near the Battery was read & granted under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward

Ordered that the Treasurer pay off M^{r} John Alsops Bond as soon as the Revenue fund will permit.

Ordered that the Street Committee direct the unsold Common Lands to be surveyed & laid out into five Acres Lots and also a particular Survey of the Common Lands sold that Grants may be made out to the Purchasors

The Committee appointed to treat with the Proprietors of the Houses & Lots parts of which will be required for straitning & widening of John Street reported that John Sproson required for the part of his House & Lot £350 John Harrison for his £400 & Daniel Tooker for his £500, And that D^{r} Thomas Pearsall refused to set any value on his but determine[d] to abide the award of a Jury according to Law.

Ordered that the Committee inform the three first named Proprietors that this Board conceive their proposals unreasonable and therefore that it will remain to be ascertained according to the Directions of the Law on the Subject.

[114] Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men of this City viz^{t}

Engine N^{o} 14 Matthew Van Order vice Tho^{s} Stagg removed.

N^{o} 2 Andrew Yelverton vice Seth Kneeland resigned

N° 20 Alex[r] Campbell & Nich[s] Lozier vice Peter Black & Peter Van Houten resigned

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Verdine Elsworth for the storage of Baggage of Passengers from Phil[a] during the late infectious Fever— the use of his Boats by the Committee and for subsisting the two Marshalls stationed at Powlus Hook by order of the Committee.....	£47: 8:—
issued	Edw[d] Meeks for an Iron Pump brake.....	£1:19:—
issued	Rob[t] Valentine for Carpenters Work at the Mouth of the Broad Street Com[n] Sewer.....	£12: 7: 2
issued	Latham Buncker for lamp Oil.....	£192: 4:—
issued	Willson Rawson for the like.....	£617: 3: 4
issued	Ab[m] Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£50: 5:—
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for the Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£56: 7:—

Ordered that M[r] Mayor be requested to draw an Order on behalf of this B[d] on the State Treasurer to pay to the City Treasurer, the Monies granted by the Legislature to indemnify this Board for the Expences incurred last Year in preventing the Malignant Fever at Phil[a] being brought into this City

[115] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14[th] day of April 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen	Assist[ts]
Theoph[s] Beekman		Nich[s] Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Mangle Minthorne	
Peter P Van Zandt		Tobias Van Zandt	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	

M[r] Mayor as one of the Commissioners for erecting Fortifications for the Defence of this City informed the Board that they had determined on the erection of Works on Bedlows Isle & on Ellis's Isle and that the Law under which they acted required that the Land on which the Fortifications are erected must be vested in the People of this State and therefore that it will be necessary for this Board to grant surrender & assign the said Isle called Bedlows Isle & the Soil from high to low Water mark around the said Isle called Ellis's Isle to the People of this State for the Purposes of erecting Fortifications as aforesaid.

Ordered that the Clerk prepare the Draft* of a Grant & report the same to the Board accordingly.

On reading a Petition for the paving of Catharine Street from Cherry Street to Bedlows Street Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared accordingly

[116] A Petition against the new paving of new Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 4th Ward cause a Sewer to be made at the public Expence to lead the Water of Vesey Street under the intended new Market.

Ordered that Mr Nichs Cruger be permitted to lead a private Drain from his House in Mill Street into the main Drain of Broad Street under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward

A Petition of Abraham Cannon for a Grant of the Soil under Water in the River in front of his Land at Corlaers Hook was read & granted and a Grant was ordered to be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that Jacob C Mott be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Company No 2. vice Carson Dickenson resigned.

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Stoutenburgh & Mr Harsen be a Committee to confer with the Proprietors of the Water Lots at White Hall on the subject of the surplus Ground in their Possession & not comprehended in their Grants.

Ordered that George Courtney be permitted to make an Area in Cherry Street in front of his House.

The Board determined that the Outside Street or Wharf from White Hall Slip to Coenties Slip should be seventy feet wide.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be permitted to plant Trees in front of his Houses in Broad Way.

[117] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Aldn Campbell on Acct towards improvements in the fields the further Sum of.....	£100:—:—
issued	Casimir Th: Gœrick for Surveying Streets.....	£15: 6:—
issued	James Culbertson for superintending the cleaning of the Streets	£25:—:—
issued	The same for the City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests.....	£16:14:—

* Marginal note reads *See P. 117.*—Ed.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of April 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh, Theophs Beekman, Peter P. Van Zandt, Gabriel Furman, Wynant Van Zandt } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorne, George Janeway, Anthony Post } Assists

*The Clerk according to order produced the Draft of Grant to the People of this State of Bedlows Isle & the Soil from high to low Waters Mark around Ellis's Isle for the purpose of erecting Fortifications for the Defence of this City and no other with a proviso that whenever all or any part of the Premisses shall be no longer used for the purpose of Fortifications the same be revert to & vest in this Corporation; which said Grant was read & approved by the Board and ordered to be engrossed.

Ordered that the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed to the said Grant when engrossed and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

[118] Ordered that a Ferry be established from this City to Nutten Island and that the Aldn & Assist of the 1st & the Assistt of the 2d Wards report a Regulation for the same

Ordered that the Aldn of the 5th & the Assists of the 6th & 7th Wards be a Committee to remove the Buildings from the Lots purchased for opening Franckfort Street

An Ordinance for paving Catharine Street from Cherry Street to Bedlows Street was read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that the Artillery Officers & the Officers of Colo Post's light Infantry Companies have permission to exercise in the Saloon of the City Hall.

Ordered that the followg Alterations take place in the names of the following Streets vizt

Stone Street ..... , Duke Street ..... & the little Street from Duke Street to Hanover Square } to be considered as one continued Street by the name Stone Street

Verlettenbergh & Garden Street ..... } the like by the Name of Garden Street

King Street.....to be named Pine Street

Little Queen Street.....Cedar Street

*Marginal note reads *See P. 115.*—Ed.

Crown Street.....Liberty Street
Prince Street.....Rose Street
Beaver Street & Princess Street } to be considered one continued Street by the Name Beaver Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued Jonathan Conry for paving at the head of St James Slip £5:19: 3
issued James Culbertson for City Watchmen..... £56: 7:—
issued Alexr Lamb for the like..... £56: 7:—

[119] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 5th May 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P Van Zandt
Nicholas Bayard
Gabriel Furman
Wynant Van Zandt
Theophs Beekman
Isaac Stoutenburgh
} Esqrs Alds

Garret Harsen
Nicholas Carmer
Mangle Minthorne
George Janeway
Frederick Stymets
} Assists

Mr Mayor & the other Members having visited & examined the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them just & right amounts

The Alms House to..... £1756:18: 8
The Bridewell to..... 166: 2: 4

The Commissioners Estimate for the ensuing Qr was received & approved vizt

For the Alms House..... £2000:—:—
For the Bridewell..... 200:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for the paymt thereof accordsly

A Petition for repairing the Pavement at the old Slip & for paving the Walks was read and an Ordinance ordered to be prepared accordingly

A Petition for regulating Grand Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

[120] Applications from John Taylor for the appointment of five Persons according to Law to view his Water Lot filled in & gained out of the East River between Wall Street & Fly market Slips and to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick. And of Benja S Judah for the like with respect to his Lot

near the White Hall were read & John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day were appointed accordingly

A Petition from the Occupants of Store Houses at the Coffee House Slip for their Vessels to lie & unload in the Slip at their respective Store Houses was read & rejected.

On reading a Petition of John Holdran for an abatement of Rent for the Ferry to Paulus Hook Ordered that on his paying into the Treasury £250 towards the Rent of last Year the residue be remitted to him.

The Committee appointed to regulate a ferry to Nutten Island reported that they had agreed with John Hillyer to keep the said Ferry for one Year from the first Inst. He to provide a sufficient number of good Boats to carry Passengers and to receive three pence for each Passenger, to carry all fatigue Parties gratis & to keep in Repair the Ferry Stairs & to have the exclusive Priviledge of the Ferryage which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that William Journey be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 11 vice John Divine resigned.

[121] Ordered that Elections be held on the 13th Inst in the 5th & 6th Wards of *a* Assessors in each in the Places of Caleb Sutton & Oliver Glean removed.

Ordered that Ald^{n} W Van Zandt & Mess^{rs} Stymets & Post be a Committee to purchase a new fire Engine in place of Engine N° 1 unfit for Service

Ordered that W^{m} Hill be permitted to sink a Rain Water Cistern in the Street at the side of his House, under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assistant of the Ward

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his W^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Pumps	£53: 9: 3
issued	Clerks of Election	28:16: 3
issued	William Sloo for the Constables & Marshalls conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell	£11: 7: 6
issued	Benj^{a} Hunting for lamp Oil	45:11:10
issued	Noah Gardiner for the like	26: 9: 3
issued	Robert Folger for the like	6:13: 9
issued	James Davenport public Whipper	£10:15:—
issued	The same for Rent of a Room	1:10:—
issued	Anthony Bleecker & Sons for their Commission in sellg at Auction the Materials of Pecks Slip Market H^{s}	1:—:—
issued	John DeLameter for Repairs to one of the Corporation Houses	4:19:—
issued	Christ^{r} Halsted for repairg Watchmens Boxes	3: 2:—

issued	Michl Brooks for paints Watchmens Boxes & Caps.....	£8: 9:11
issued	Abm Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	50: 5:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson the like.....	56: 7:—
issued	John Stagg for Mason Work & Materials to the Common Sewer of Vesey Street.....	56: 6:—

[122] Be it ordained that the several Bye Laws and Ordinances of this Board for the Rule & Government of this City as the same were respectively ordained & published on the tenth day of May last be reordained and established to be in full force and to continue one year from this day. The Titles thereof are as follow vizt

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the paving and keeping in Repair the Streets and to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York."

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun-Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the landing & sale of Hay in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the sale of Charcoal in the City of New York."

[123] "A Law to regulate the sale & cartage of Manure Sand & Clay in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measures in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of Wharfage"

"A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York"

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York."

"A Law directing the Mode of Recovery of the Fines, Penalties & Forfeitures imposed by the Laws of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York."

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 14th day of May 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Nicholas Bayard, Peter P. Van Zandt, John Campbell, Gabriel Furman, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Wynandt Van Zandt, Theophilus Beekman

Assistts: Garret Harsen, Frederick Stymets, Anthony Post, Mangle Minthorne, Nicholas Carmer, George Janeway

The Poll Lists of the Elections held in the 5th & 6th Wards of Assessors purst to the order of last Meeting were [read] & it appeared that Jotham Post for the 5th & Simon Crygier for the 6th Wards were duly elected who appeared & took the Oath of Office accordingly.

[124] Thomas Pearsall attended & represented to the Board that he had concluded not to treat with the Board with respect to the Damage he would sustain by the loss of part of his House & Lot which will be taken to widen John Street And therefore requested that a Precept be issued to the Sherif for summoning a Jury to ascertain his Damage purst to the Statute in such Case made & provided.

Requests in favor of Benja Haight Silvester Buskerk & Simon Van Antwerp to make Area's to their respective Houses were granted under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Ordinances for filling in Greenwich Street from Rector Street to the Battery. And for new paving the Street at the Old Slip & making the side Walks from Pearl Street to front Street were read & passed.

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Committee appointed to treat with James Egbert for so much of his Lot as lays outside of the Line of Whitehall Street Report that they have agreed with him for the Sum of Fifty Pounds

and that he is ready to execute a Release for the same whenever the Corporation will pay him that Sum

Gabriel Furman
Fred. Stymets
Garret Harsen

Ordered that on Mr Egberts executing & delivering a Release of the Premisses Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for the paymt of the Consideration Money.

On reading a Petition for paving Ann Street from Nassau Street to William Street

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared

John Davidson, Son & Admr of Effie Davis or Davidson who died in the Alms House in the Year 1788; attended the Board [125] and demand the Moiety being his proportion of £39:19:8 Monies found among the Effects of the said Effie at the time of her decease in the Alms House as aforesaid and paid by order of this Board to the Treasurer of this City

Whereupon it was ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay to the said John Davidson the Moiety of the said Monies in full discharge of any further claim or demand he may or shall at any time make of the said Monies.

issued

Ordered also that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

John Richardson & Leond Kip Junr each 4 Dolls as Clerks at the Genl Election	£3: 4:—
David Harriot William Degrove each 6 Dolls for the like	£4:16:—
John J Roome & Peter Abeel each 2 Dolls as Clks at a late Election of two Assessrs	£1:12:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of May 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P Van Zandt
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Gabriel Furman
John Campbell
Wynant Van Zandt
Theophilus Beekman
} Esqrs Alds

Nicholas Carmer
Mangle Minthorne
Frederick Stymets
Anthony Post
George Janeway
} Assists

Henry Ten Broeck an Assessor for the 3d Ward attended & took the Oath of Office as an Assessor

[126] A Letter from John Watts Esq[r] Member from this City in Congress was read from which it appears that the Petition from this Board for the payment of Muskets furnished to the continental Troops raised in this State in the Year 1775 was rejected.

A Petition of Treadwell Jackson for a Grant of the Soil in the River up to the Line intended to be established along the East River; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Gilbert Keeper of the Gun Powder Magazine praying an abatement of Rent was read

Ordered that he pay £15 for the last Year & that the Treasurer settle with him accordingly.

Ordinances for paving Rutgers Street from Roosevelt Street to James Street, And Rector Street from Broadway to Greenwich Street; were respectively read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that Jacob Boerom have liberty to sink a Cistern under the Street at his House under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assst[t] of the Ward.

A Report of the Committee appointed to confer with the Vestry of the Episcopal Church on the Subject of their Application for a Grant of the Soil in the River North of Reade Street and a Petition of Anthony Lispenard & others relative to the digging out the upper part of Greenwich Street so as to render the Road passable; were read & the consideration thereof postponed

[127] Ordered that the Committee for cancelling & printing Notes for small Change take order for the printing of a further Emission to the amount of £1000.

In consequence of a late Regulation of the Bowery Lane a certain quantity of the Land of Samuel Jones Esq[r] was taken into the Road for which this Board do agree to allow him a Compensation of £30 And that M[r] Matthew Buys be allowed for the land he may loose by Reason of that Regulation in like proportion.

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared to prevent the danger arising from the watering of Horses at the public Pumps in this City.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issued	Ald[n] W Van Zandt the Sum of £100 on Acc[t] towards working the Mud Scow.	
issued	Ald[n] Campbell the further Sum of £150 towards Improvem[ts] in the Fields	
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q[r] Sallary.....	£12:10:—
	The same for sweeps Chimnies.....	4:—
		£12:14:—

issued Ab[m] Van Gelder for lighting Lamps..... £50: 5:—
Daniel Coutant for removing the Fence of Sam[l] Jones
issued in consequence of the late Regulation of the Bowery
Lane £9: 9:11

[128] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2[d] day of June 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman Theoph[s] Beekman Peter P Van Zandt	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Mangel Minthorn George Janeway Nicholas Carmer Frederick Stymets	Assist[ts]

Ordered that Gen[l] Clarkson be permitted to lead a Drain from his Cellar into the Common Sewer of Whitehall Street.

That Gulian Verplanck, George Gosman M[r] Van den Heuvel & William Rhodes be permitted to make Area's & Vaults under the Street in front of their respective Houses under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

A Petition of Matthew Crum to lease a Piece of the Common Lands was read and referred to the Land Committee.

The following Law or Ordinance was presented by the Clerk according to order and the same being read was passed by the Board viz[t]

"A Law to prevent danger from Horses going loose or at large in the Streets of the City of New York"

Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened & it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same That no Horse Mare or Gelding shall be suffered to go loose or at large in any Street of this City; And if any Horse Mare or Gelding [129] shall be found in any Street of this City without being held by a proper Person with Bridle Halter or sufficient Rope or other Thing to secure such Horse Mare or Gelding the Owner or Person having the Care Charge or keeping of such Horse Mare or Gelding shall pay as a Fine the Sum of five Shillings to be recovered in the manner & for the Uses directed by the Charter of this City.

Ordered that Allan Cameron be appointed a Measurer of Grain in this City.

Ordinances for paving the following Streets in this City were read & passed viz[t]

The foot or side Walks in Greenwich Street from *from* Cortlandt

to Vesey Street—the like in Partition Street and Vesey Street—the like on the East side of Washington Street from Cortlandt Street to Vesey Street of the Breadth of Six feet—for paving Washington Street from Crown Street to Cortlandt Street—And the foot or side Walks in Pearl Street from Rutgers Street to Chatham Street.

[130] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 10th day of June 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P. Van Zandt Nicholas Bayard Theophs Beekman John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Nichs Carmer Mangle Minthorne Frederick Stymets George Janeway	Assistts

A Petition of Peter King Wood Inspector praying that part of the Business at the old Slip may be assigned to him was read & referred [to] Aldn Beekman & Mr Stymets.

On reading a Petition from the Inhabts in Oliver Street An Ordinance for paving that Street was passed by the Bd

Ordered that John McLean be appointed, in the stead of Josiah Furman, to make the Estimate & Assessment for paving Catharine Street.

A Petition from the Inhabitants of Barclay Street for a Gate opposite to the said Street to cross the *Enclosure was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Congregation of Sheareth Israel be permitted to lead a private Drain from their House in Mill Street into the Common Sewer of Broad Street under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Murray Street from Broad Way to Chappel Street [131] was read & ratified by the Board and John Fox was appointed to collect the Monies & Peter Hardenbrook to superintend the paving of the said Street.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Corporation of the Rector & Inhabitants of the City of New York in Communion of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York made a Report And thereupon

The Board determined that they would grant their Estate and Interest in the Soil between High & low Water Mark so far into the

* Marginal note reads *at the Park.*—Ed.

River as to extend to the East side of a Street, of 50 feet wide, 150 feet West of Washington Street to be continued. On condition that the said Corporation do without delay dig out Greenwich Street agreable to the Regulation thereof, so as to make it convenient for the passing of Carriages of Pleasure & Burthen And also that they do without delay lay a good & sufficient Wharf or Bulkhead the outerpart of which to be 210 feet from Washington Street aforesaid and make the said Street of 50 feet wide and keep the same together with the said Wharf or Bulkhead in good order & Repair.

Ordered that the Committee who reported on the Application of Peter P Van Zandt & the Heirs of David Provoost decd on the 27th May 1793 enquire & report to the Board whether the said Heirs of David Provoost will in conjunction with the said Peter P. Van Zant accept a Grant of the Water Lot on the Condition agreed to by the Board on that day.

issued	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay Evert Bancker Junr for the ballce of his Acct for numbering the Houses.....	£34: 4:—
issued	Isaac Terboss for paints & putting up the numbers & Names of the Streets.....	£109:17:10
issued	Wm J Elsworth for tin plates for the numbers.....	£31: 5:—
issued	Nichs Carmer for ballce in builds Watch Hs.....	£119:16: 7

[132] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th June 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Peter P. Van Zandt, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, Nichs Bayard } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorne, Anthony Post, Nicholas Carmer } Assists

A Petition for opening & continuing Cross Street & Orange Streets was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the Ward to enquire into the Facts & report the same to the Board.

A Petition for new paving Roosevelt Street from Chatham Street to Rutgers Street was read & an Ordinance ordered to be prepared

A[n] Application of Evert Bancker Junr for a further Allowance for his Services in numbering the Houses was read & he was desired to attend the Board at their next Meeting & he would be heard.

A Demand of Thos Henderson for Compensation for part of his Lot taken to widen Crown Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Ald[n] Stoutenburgh & Furman & Mess[rs] Post, Janeway & Stymets be a Committee for purchasing Materials for the erection of a new Alms House

Ordered that Ald[n] Furman & Campbell be a Committee to direct the Clerk in the proper Arrangements for celebrating the 4[th] July next the anniversary of the Independence of the United States.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] to pay issued John Elsworth £20:14:7 for the Expences of the Corporation on Gov[rs] Island

[133] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30[th] day of June 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen	Assist[ts]
Theoph[s] Beekman		Anthony Post	
Peter P. Van Zandt		Nicholas Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
Nicholas Bayard		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman			
John Campbell			

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t].

"The Street Committee to whom was referred the Claim of Thomas Henderson Owner of a Lot situate on the north side of Crown Street now Liberty Street, for a Compensation for so much of his said Lot as has been taken into the said Street to widen the same. Report that they have duly considered the said Claim and find that in pursuance of the Act of the Legislature of this State entitled "An Act to appoint Commissioners to settle and adjust any differences which may arise between the Proprietors of certain Lots in the City of New York the Buildings whereof were burn't in the Year 1776 and for altering the Streets which heretofore were laid out adjoining to such Lots" passed the 4[th] May 1784, the said Crown Street was laid out by the Commissioners appointed in pursuance [134] of the said Act to be ten feet wider by taking off from the Lots on each side thereof five feet. That many New buildings have been erected on both sides of the said Street conformable to the said Regulation and that altho' provision is made in the same Act to ascertain whether any Proprietor of any Lot is injured or benefitted by such Alteration provided application for the Purpose be made within three Years after the passing of the said Act no proprietor of any Lot in the said Street

hath applied within the time limitted Your Committee are therefore of Opinion that the claim of the said Thomas Henderson ought not to be admitted

June 23d 1794

Isaac Stoutenburgh
John Campbell
Theophs Beekman
Gabriel Furman

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Peter J. Munro have leave to make Area's & Vaults in front of their respective Houses

Committee for emitting & cancelling Notes for small Change Report that they have burnt to ashes the following vizt

6000	of 1d	£25:—:—
6800	2	56:13: 4
7800	3	97:10:—
1 Sheet imperfect		—: 6:—
Amountg to		£179: 9: 4

[135] On a suggestion that the Street Committee cannot proceed in the Regulation of certain Streets without the Services of Mr Gœrick & his surveying Instruments Ordered that he be required to attend to the public Business in this City.

A Petition from Edmund Seaman and others requesting Permission to fill up the Well in Wall Street and to sink another at their private Expence; was read & granted The new Well to be of the size of the old one & to be sunk where the Aldn & Assist of the Ward shall direct

A Petition from the Executor of David Barclay decd for reimbursement of Monies paid for paving the Street in front of a Lot, leased from the Corporation, at Pecks Slip; was read and referred to Ald. P. Van Zandt & Messrs Carmer & Harsen.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of certain Lessees of the Corporation Lots for reimbursement of Monies by them paid for paving Chatham Street Report that the following Persons have paid the Sums set to their respective Names vizt

Gabriel Furman	£49: 1: 2
Daniel Coutant	6:17: 7½
Leonard Cats	7: 1: 9½
John Delamater	7: 5: 8½
Daniel Shaffer 2 Lots	13:—:—
William Snydor	8: 1: 9½
Coert Went	8: 2: 4½
Lawrence Hyer	7: 5: 3

[136]	Lourilliard 2 Lots	£20: 9: 6
Joseph Griswold		
Henry Spingler		
Wm Willson by Christn Small		9:11: 5
Wm Willson by Aaron Howell		9:11: 5

Ordered that the Treasurer credit the above Persons for the above Sums in settling their Rent

On reading an Application of Thomas Ten Eyck for the appointment of five Persons to examine his Lot gained out of the River on the East side of Coenties Slip & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick & covered with Slate or Tile. Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed accordingly.

Ordered that the Clerk republish*ed* in all the public News Papers that part of the Law which respects the cleaning of the Streets & preventing Nuisances in this City And that the following Constables & Marshalls be & they are hereby appointed in their respective Wards to attend to the due execution of the said Law and exclusive of the Fines which may be recovered they be allowed £10 each for their Services in the Premisses

1st Ward	Azariah Dunham
2d	Barnet Newkerk
3d	David Burger
4th	John Ackerman
5th	John Fleming
6th	Robert Berwick
7th	David Couvert

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn Stoutenburgh on Acct towards purchasing Materials for the erection of a new Alms House	£1000:—:—
issued	George Janeway on Acct towards Repairs to the Gaol	£30:—:—
issued	[137] Wm Eddy a lame Man for the Relief of his indigent family	£2:—:—
issued	Richard Smith & Isaac Salmon two of the City Watchmen £10 each for their Exertions & the Wounds they recd in quelling a late Riot	£20:—:—
issued	Daniel Coutant for removing the Fence of Matthew Buys to the line agreable to the late Regulation of the Bowery Lane	£16: 1: 6
issued	Willson Rawson for lamp Oil	£155: 8:—
issued	Isaac Mead for lamp Posts	£2:16:—
issued	The same for Watchmens Boxes	£7: 4:—
issued	The same for a Fence Govt House	£14:11:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps	£50: 5:—
issued	John Stagg for paving lower End of Barclay Street	£17:15:11
issued	Encas Fountain for a Drummer & Fifer on Govrs Isle	£2:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 9th July 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nichs Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Frederick Stymets	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Garret Harsen	
Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer	
John Campbell		Anthony Post	

Ordered that an Election be held in the fifth Ward at the House of Eden Hunt in Water Street on Monday the 21st Instant of an Assistant in the Room of Tobias Van Zandt deceased

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Ann Street from Nassau Street to William Street was read & ratified by the Board And Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John Stagg to superintend the paving of the said Street.

On reading a petition for the purpose.

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared for paving the foot or side Walks in Barclay Street

[138] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of July 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assists
Peter P Van Zandt		Nichs Carmer	
Theops Beekman		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Mangel Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Frederick Stymets	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	

On a suggestion that part of Pearl Street between Rutgers Street & Chatham Street will require a new Regulation previous to the foot Walks being paved, the Street Committee were directed to take order in the Premisses.

Mr Bingham the Collector of the Fees of the public Wharfs & Slips made a Complaint agt Mr Thomas Buchannan for occupying with Sea Vessels a part of Rutgers Slip—Ordered that he make out a State of the Facts in writing & that the subject be referred to Mr Recorder

On a second Petition of Evert Bancker for an additional Allowance for his Services in numbering the Houses, the Board proceeded to reconsider the Question and determined that the Allowance already made him was ample.

On reading a Petition from a Society of young Men by the name

of the Honarian Society Ordered that they be permitted to use the Room in the City Hall in common with the other Societies.

[139] The Ordinance for paving the foot Walks at the Old Slip being not sufficiently extensive the same was repealed

Then another Ordinance for paving the Street & the foot Walks at the Old Slip and also Ordinances for paving the foot Walks at & in Barclay Street Coenties Slip were passed by the Board.

A Letter from Richard Harison Esq^{r} of this date as Clerk of the Corporation of the Rector and Inhabitants of the City of New York in Communion of the protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York signifying " their acceptance of the Grant proposed to be made " to them by the Determination of the Board on the 10th June last, " that they will chearfully comply on their part with the Terms and " return their Thanks to this Board for the favor that has been done " to them." was read & filed.

The following Report of the Street Committee was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

The Street Committee beg leave to report that they have caused a Survey to be made (and which is herewith presented to the Board) of that part of Greenwich Washington Reade & Duane Streets which are connected with the Grant agreed to be made to the Corporation of Trinity Church, and to offer to the Consideration of the Board the following Remarks on the Premisses.

First That the Grant heretofore promised to the said Corporation between Chambers and Reade Streets be limited to the dotted Line intersecting the said Grant, from the East Corner thereof on Washington Street & Reade Street to a Point on the West side thereof so as to be parellal to the line of Duane Street Note the Angle B.

[140] second That the said Corporation be requested to Release to this Board the Land which lies adjoining to the River west of Washington Street and between Reade & Duane Streets. If the said two Objects be obtained, a spacious Square will be formed between Washington Street and the new Street intended in the Front on Hudsons River and open to the Harbor or Bason that may hereafter be made in front thereof.

July 14th 1794

Isaac Stoutenburgh
John Campbell
Gabriel Furman
Thoph^{s} Beekman } Committee
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Peter P. Van Zandt

Ordered that Nathl Levinus be permitted to sink a Cistern in front of his House in Chambers Street under the Direction of the Aldn or Assistt of the Ward

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Catharine Street from Bedlow Street to Cherry Street was read & ratified by the Board. & John McLean was appointed to collect the Monies & Thos Whitelaw to superintend the paving.

Estimates & Assessments for paving the follows Streets were also read & ratified vizt The foot Walks in Washington Street The like in Greenwich Street. The like for paving Washington Street The like for the foot Walks in Vesey Street The like for the like in Partition Street And Thomas Lafoy was appointed to collect the Monies and Aldn Stoutenburgh & Mr Post to direct the paving of the said Streets.

[141] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The Street Committee report the following Regulation for Augustus Street agreably to the Survey thereof accompanying this Report Beginning at the Kennel at the head thereof and at the intersection of Tryon Row and descending 4 Inches on every 10 feet to the Intersection of Magazine Street where the said Magazine Street requires to be raised 2 feet 6 Inches—The said Augustus Street at the Distance of 100 feet from the head thereof to be lowered 2 feet 4 Inches. At the Distance of 140 feet farther 4 feet 3 Inches 200 feet farther 6 feet. 115 feet farther 6 feet 1 Inch and at the Distance of 77 feet farther to be raised 2 feet 10 Inches—92 feet farther 8 feet 5 Inches and 50 feet farther 10 feet 1 Inch.

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Theos Beekman
Gabriel Furman
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
John Campbell
} Committee

Ordered that Joseph Shelvey be reappointed public Whipper on the former Terms.

Ordered that Aldn P. Van Zandt & Stoutenburgh & Mr Harsen be a Comtee to enquire whether any & what Compensation ought to be made to the Heirs of Isaac Brasher in consequence of the Widening of John Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Aldn W. Van Zandt on acct towards filling in the Wharf at Brooklyn Ferry	£40:—:—
issued	Aldn Campbell towards Improvements in the fields	£300:—:—
issued	John McLean for Gun Powder to celebrate the anniversary of American Independence	£73:19: 4
issued	[142] John Hyde for a public Dinner	£22:11:—
issued	Wm Hilyer for the Constables &c	£10:—:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for the Sextons of the Churches for ringing Bells	£6:12:—
issued	James Wing for lamp Oil	£33: 3: 5
issued	Lazulier & Williamson for Iron Work to Pumps	£6:14:—
issued	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to public Pumps	£19: 3: 9

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of July 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Theos Beekman Isaac Stoutenburgh Wynant Van Zandt John Campbell Gabriel Furman Peter P Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorne Frederick Stymets Anthony Post Jotham Post	Assistts

The Poll List of an Election held in the fifth Ward for an Assistant in the Place of Tobias Van Zandt decd was presented to the Board & Jotham Post was duly elected. And he took the Oath prescribed by the Charter accordingly

Ordered that the Neighborhood in Pearl Street East of the Fly Market be permitted to take up the Street in order to examine & repair the Common Sewer under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistr of the Ward

[143] A Petition of Robert Bown & Thomas Eddy for the appointment of five Persons according to Law to examine their Lots filled in & gained out of the East River between Pine Street & De Peyster Street, and to determine whether they will bear foundations for Buildings of Brick or Stone, was read & John Stagg George Gosman, John Moore, James Robinson & John Day were appointed accordingly.

On reading a Petition from a Society of Teachers in this City Ordered that they be permitted to meet in the Common Council Cham-

ber at such times as it shall not be wanted for public use or occupied by the Societies who have the use of it.

An Ordinance for paving Chappel Street was read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that James Knox have permission to sink a Cistern in the Street under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward

Committee on the Petition of Peter King for a part of the Inspector of Woods Business at the old Slip reported that the Prayer of the said Petition cannot be granted

Ordered that Aldn Stoutenburgh, Furman & Campbell be a Committee to revise the Rates of Cartage & a Regulation of the Scavengers and to report Ordinances on the Subjects.

Mr Carmer reported to the Board that the Corporation of the Episcopal Church acceded to the proposal suggested in the Report of the Street Committee at the last Meeting.

[144] Ordered that the Clerk notify Mr Fredk Rhinelander of the substance of the said Report as it respects his intended Improvements.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Rutgers Street from Roosevelt to James's Street was ratified by the Board and James Grant was appointed to collect the Monies And James Grant, Jacob Foster, Henry Pope & Leonard Fisher to suprintend the paving.

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

Joseph Cowley to Engine No 18 vice James Harvey removed from the City

John Ball vice to No 15 vice John Buxton decd

Daniel Halstead to Hook & Ladder Company vice Thomas Ross removed as above

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	George Lord towards the Well lately sunk in Division Street	£17: 8:—
issued	John Simmons for Expences attendg the canvassg of the Ballots of the late Election for Assembly Men	£13: 2: 6
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£281:15:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£281:15:—
issued	Aldn Furman for a Ballce due him on a Settlemt with the Treasr for paving in front of a Corporation Lot in Chatham Street	£13: 1: 2
issued	S. & S A Myers for a Copper Door to the Common Sewer Broad Street	£6:10: 6

[145] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of July 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Peter P Van Zandt		Anthy Post	
John Campbell		Mangel Minthorn	
Wynant Van Zandt		Jotham Post	
Gabriel Furman		Frederick Stymets	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		George Janeway	

An application of Thomas Maule for the use of the Well boring Apparatus was granted under the Inspection of Wm Sloo Junr at Mr Maule's expence.

On a suggestion that several Houses had been lately erected in violation of the Law for regulating Buildings & to prevent Fires Mr Culbertson the High Constable was directed to commence prosecutions against the persons who [have] been guilty of Infractions on that Law.

A second petition for new paving part of New Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition for extending the pavement of Catharine Street across Cherry Street and the pavement of Cherry Street to the distance of twenty feet East of the Well near the Wool Card Manufactory was read & an Ordinance ordered to be prepared accordingly

Ordered that David Walker be permitted to lead a private Drain from his new House in White Hall Street into the Common Sewer.

[146] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	George Janeway on acct towards Repairs to the Gaol...	£80: —: —
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£56: 7: —
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7: —
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£51: 0: 4½

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Augt 4th 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Jotham Post	
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen	
Wynant Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorn	
John Campbell		Nichs Carmer	
Theophs Beekman		George Janeway	

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accts re-

ported that they had examined & compared the Commiss^{rs} Acc^{t} for the last Quarter & found them right. viz^{t}

Those of the Alms House amount^{g} to..... £1136:11: 1½
Those of the Bridewell..... 479:11: 9½

An Estimate of the Commiss^{rs} for the [en]suing Q^{r} was read & approved viz^{t}

for the Alms House..... £1800:—:—
for the Bridewell..... 200:—:—

issued Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} to payment thereof accord^{gly}

[147] An Estimate & Assessment for paving Wall Street from Pearl Street to the River was read & ratified by the Board and W^{m} Gilbert was appointed to collect the Money & John Moore to pave the said Street

Ordered that permission be given to the Proprietors of the Tontine Hotel about to be erected And to Amos Corning to make Areas to their Buildings & to Corn^{s} Clopper to lead a private Drain into the Common Sewer of Broad Street and also that Eph^{m} Hart have the like permission in Wall Street

An Ordinance for digging out & filling in Barley Street to commence 100 feet from the Broad Way & to extend to the River was read & passed by the Board

Ordered that the Street Committee view the Road at Corlaers Hook & report a Regulation for the same

Two Petitions the one for & the other against the present Regulation of Catharine Street, were read & referred to the Street Committe to take order thereon

A Petition for the Regulation of Harman Street was read & referred to the S^{t} Committee

Resolved that this Board will in consequence of their former Determination Grant to the Episcopal Church the Water Lots north of Read Street agreable to such Survey to be made thereof as shall be approved by the Board

Ordered that the Triangular Piece of Ground at the junction of the Post & Bloomingdale Roads be appropriated to the use of the Alms House for a Burying Ground and that the Road Committee take order thereon

[148] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Jacob Harsen on acct towards Repairs to the Blooming Dale Road	£100:—:—
issued	To Danl Phœnix for the Persons imployed in copying & carrying the Poundage of the Tax Books	£19: 7:—
issued	John Stoutenbergh for Gun Powder for the Militia in celebrating the late anniversary of American Independence	£25: 7: 6
issued	Wm Sloo for the Constables & Marshalls for conveying Vagrants to Bridewell	£12: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Augt 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor.
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P Van Zandt
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Wynant Van Zandt
John Campbell
Gabriel Furman
Nicholas Bayard
} Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen
Nicholas Carmer
Anthony Post
Jotham Post
Mangel Minthorn
George Janeway
Frederick Stymets
} Assistts

On the application of John Townsend and Daniel Cotten Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine their respective Lots [149] lately filled in and to determine whether foundations can be laid to bear Buildings of Stone or Brick

And on the Application of John Delafield Ordered the like with respect to his Lots at the Exchange Slip

The Board determined that the five Acre Lot on the South of Mr Willets Land at Inchlambergh ought not to be sold or leased at present

A petition of John Elsworth to be appointed an additional Wharfinger was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Legget to purchase of the Common Lands near the five Mile Stone was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Gaoler for an [in]crease of the allowance for subsisting criminal Prisoners was read & referred to Aldn Furman & Messrs Harsen & J. Post

Ordinances for paving Bancker Street from Chesnut Street to Catharine Street And for digging out & filling in Augustus Street; were respectively read & passed by the Bd

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for the regulation of Harman Street Report that they have caused a Survey of the said Street to be made Beginning at the Intersection of George Street and thence descending to the Intersection of Catharine Street at the rate of one Inch & $^{65}/_{100}$ on every 10 feet agreable to which it will require to be lowered at the distance of 275 feet from George Street 2 feet 7 Inches [150] and at the Distance of 225 feet further 7 feet 6 Inches and do recommend the same to be carried into execution immediately as far as respects the digging out of the said Street. Aug[t] 14[th] 1794

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Gabriel Furman
Thoph[s] Beekman
John Campbell
Garrit Harsen
Mangel Minthorn
} Com[tee]

Estimates & Assessments for paving at the Old Slip & at Coenties Slip were respectively read & ratified by the B[d] And W[m] Gilbert was appointed to collect the Monies & John Moore to superintend the paving.

The Committee to whom was referred the Case of the Heirs of Isaac Brasher dec[d] with respect any Injury they may have sustained by the late straitning & widening of John Street at Golden Hill.

Report. That after full enquiry into the Title Deeds they cannot find that the said Heirs have lost any Ground That the only loss they have sustained was occasioned by the expence of the removal of the Foundations laid for their Houses at the Request of a Committee of this Board; which Expence appears to have amounted to thirty Pounds. And the Committee are of Opinion the said Sum ought to be repaid them. Which said Report was agreed to by the Board.

issued Warr[t] for this Money Aug[t] 28[th] 1795 & deliv[d] it to M[r] Crawford

Ordered that John Sproson be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist of the W[d]

[151] The Board took into the Consideration the Request of Edward Livingston to remove at his own Expence the Building lately erected at the Battery for a Labratory & to place the same on the

Ground of the Gov[t] House along the Rear of the Lots fronting Pearl Street to the end that he may be enabled to erect a House on the Corner Lot of Pearl Street with a front on State Street And it was determined that the said Request could not be granted.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Samuel Jones Esq[r] for the Land taken off the front of his Land in the Bowery Lane to straiten the West side thereof	£30:—:—
issued	Matthew Buys for the like	£17:16:—
issued	Ald[n] W. Van Zandt on Acc[t] towards working the Mud Drudge	£150:—:—
issued	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to the public Pumps	£24:17:—
issued	James Parsons & Sons for lamp Oil	£254: 4: 5
issued	Corn[s] B Sebring for Iron Work to the City Hall	£6:13: 2
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q[r] Salary	£12:10:—
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
	James Culbertson for the like	£56: 7:—

[152] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25[th] day of August 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Samuel Jones Esq[r]		Garret Harsen
Theoph[s] Beekman		Jotham Post
Peter P. Van Zandt	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Nich[s] Carmer
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets
Nich[s] Bayard		Mangle Minthorn
		George Janeway
		Anthony Post

Assist[ts]

Ordered that the Road Committee enquire into & report on the expediency of continuing the Bloomingdale Road until it intersects the Post Road on Harlem Heights & what the Breadth of it ought to be; to the end that the proprietors of the Land through which the said Road will pass may be applied to as to their willingness to give the Land for the purpose.

Ordered that Hugh Gaine be permitted to take up Water Street for the purpose of laying a Drain from his House

Ordered that Isaac Moses be permitted to make an Area to the House, of Peter P. Van Zandt Esq[r] in Wall Street And a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Pearl Street

A Petition of Gilbert Pell & others for the digging out of Lombard Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

An Ordinance for digging out Harman Street was read & passed by the Board And the like for new paving Roosevelt Street from Chatham Street to Rutgers S[t]

[153] An Estimate & Assessment for paving Rector Street from the Broad Way to Greenwich Street was read & ratified by the Board And John Stagg was appointed to superintend the paving of the said Street & Aert Huysman to collect the Money.

Ordered that Thomas Stevenson be permitted under the direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward & with the Consent of Jeremiah Wool to extend the line of his Lot adjoining the Lot of the said Jeremiah Wool in Broad Street Ten Inches into the Street & thence with direct Line to the South East Corner of the House on the Corner of Broad Street & Garden (formerly Verlettenbergh) Street

Ordered that the Treasurer credit Willm Gardiner on his Rent of a Lot the upper End of William Street £10:4:2 for so much by him advanced for paving the said Lot.

Ordered that the Clerk write to the Gentlemen named in the Law for improving John Street and request that they will without delay proceed to the execution of the Business committed to them by the said Law.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	John Sproson for the part of his Lot taken to straiten & widen John Street	£350:—:—
issued	Aldn Campbell on acct towards the Improvements in the Fields	£150:—:—
issued	Abraham Van Gelder for the ballce of his annual Acct in the Lamp Departmt	£77: 6: 9
issued	William Sloo as a gratuity for taking Fish for the Alms House & Bridewell	£20:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for the City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
	Alexr Lamb for the like	£56: 7:—

[154] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday Septr 1st 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Peter P. Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Nichs Carmer	
Theophs Beekman		Jotham Post	
Nichs Bayard		Mangel Minthorn	
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	

A Petition of John Mandeville to lease a Piece of the Common Lands was read & referred to the land Commtee

An Estimate and Assessment for paving Oliver Street was ratified by the Board & David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies & John Dennison to pave the Street

The Street Committee on the Petition for regulating Grand Street in the seventh Ward Report—that agreable to a Survey of the said Street lately made the Committee are of Opinion that a permanent Regulation cannot yet be made but recommend that an Order be made for the purpose of filling up the Ditch & levelling the Ground in the said Street & the adjoining Lots."

[155] Thereupon Ordered that the Proprietors of the Lots on Grand Street be required without delay to level the Ground thrown up for Works during the late War in the said Street so as to make the said Street passable & convenient.

The Street Committee reported that in consequence of the new & late regulation of Wall Street at the Tontine Coffee House part of the Pavement of Water Street will be required to be taken up & altered conformable to the said Regulation of Wall Street, in manner follow^{g} viz^{t}

Regulation of Water Street West of Wall Street. Continue the assent of the Street of one Inch on 10 feet 30 feet to the Eastw^{d} of the Pump—thence descent from Gouverneurs Street to the distance of 30 feet one Inch on 10 feet (so as to flatten the highest Ground)—thence with a descent of 1 $^{47}/_{100}$ Inch on 10 feet to the new Kennel of Wall Street. Accordingly it requires raising at the end of 50 feet from the Pump 8 Inches. at the end of 50 feet further 8 Inches at the end of 50 feet further 9 Inches at the end of 50 feet further 12 Inches at the end of 50 feet further one foot 10 Inches so as to continue the last descent to the Kennel of Wall Street

East of Wall Street

Continue the highest Ground, opposite the East Corner of Thomas Wests House, 70 feet further to the Westward with an ascent of 1¼ Inch on 10 feet—thence descent 50 feet distance with 1¼ Inch on 10 feet to the new pavement in Wall Street accordingly it will require raising at the end of 70 feet from the present highest Ground one foot 4 Inches.

[156] Whereupon an Ordinance for new paving of the said Street was passed by the Board.

The Street Committee on the Petition of Harmen Le Roy & others reported the follow^{g} Regulation for the said Street from Wall Street to Garden Street viz^{t} Beginning at the Kennel on the south side of Wall Street & descending 4 $^{84}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet to the distance

of 165 feet & thence to the North Kennel of Garden Street with a descent of 4 Inches on 10 feet. accordingly at the distance of 10 feet from the Kennel of Wall Street it must be lowered 14 Inches—at the end of 65 feet farther 11 Inches & at the end of 135 farther it must be raised 11 Inches.

An Ordinance for the new paving of the said Street conformable to the said Report was then passed by the Bd

Also for paving Greenwich Street from Thames Street Swartwouts to the south side of Rector Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the Application of Robert Gilchrist respecting the Claim of the Heirs of the late Nicholas Roosevelt decd for Compensation for such part of the Ground of the said Nichs Roosevelt as hath been taken into Greenwich Street.

Report that upon the examination of several Papers & Title Deeds respecting the said Premisses it appears that William Dyer & Mary his Wife were possessed of a Piece or Parcel of Land extending in length from the Broad Way to Hudsons River That the said William Dyer & Mary [157] his Wife did on the 23d April 1686 convey the same extending in Length from the Broad Way 636 feet to Hudsons River, that Nicholas Roosevelt was possessed of a part of the said Land 37 feet 2 Inches in breadth on Hudsons River aforesaid that by a Survey from the Broad Way, the End of 636 feet extends 24 feet over the westerly side of Greenwich Street, that if the Title of the said Dyer to the Soil under the Water was good, then the Heirs of the said Nicholas Roosevelt are in the Opinion of your Committee entitled to a Compensation

Septr 1st 1794

Committee { Isaac Stoutenburgh, Garrit Harsen, Gabriel Furman }

Ordered that the subject Matter of the said Report be referred, for further Investigation, to Mr Recorder.

The Committee on the Petition of the Keeper of the Gaol for an encrease of the allowance for subsisting criminal Prisoners reported that the price of a Ration ought to be encreased from eight Pence to ten Pence; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Thomas Pearsall for the part of his House & Lot taken to improve John Street it being the Sum awarded by the Jury.....	£800:—:—
issued	John Harrison for the like as to his Lot.....	£350:—:—

issued	Daniel Tucker for the like as to his Lot.....	£300:—:—
issued	William J Elsworth for the ballce of his annual Acct in the fire Engine Department.....	£98:15: 9
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting the Lamps.....	£50:14: 9¼

[158] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of Septr 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Isaac Stoutenburgh Peter P. Van Zandt John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Jotham Post Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer Anthony Post Frederick Stymets	Assistts

Pursuant to the Statute for regulating Elections of Charter Officers in this City the follows Places were appointed for holding the said Election & the following Persons were appointed Inspectors in the respective Wards vizt

Wards	Places of Election	Inspectors
1st	Trinity Church	Corns Ray.
2d	City Hall	John Oothout
3d	North Church	Ezekiel Robbins
4th	St Pauls Church	George Stanton
5th	Friends Meeting House	Henry Will
6th	Alms House	Jacob Harsen
7th	Methodist New Church	Richd Furman

A Petition of Henry Low & John Shaw to lease of the Common Lands was read & referred to the Land Committee.

Ordered that John Thurman be permitted to make an Area to his House in William Street, And that John Harrison have the like permission & to make a Cistern in the Street in front of his House in John Street, the whole to be done under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

[159] On reading a Petition for the Purpose An Ordinance was passed for paving Battavia Lane.

A Petition of Jacob Wilkins for a Grant of Piece of Water Lot at the end of Cortlandt Street was read & referred to Aldn Stoutenburgh & Furman & Mr Minthorn.

Ordered that James Seaman, Matthew Van Zandt & Samuel Stansbury be appointed firemen, to No 18 vice, Richard Seaman, Benjamin G Minturn and Abraham Franklin resigned.

An Estimate & Assessment for new paving Water Street was read & ratified and William Gilbert was appointed to collect the Monies & John Moore to pave the s[d] Street.

On a suggestion that great abuses were committed by the Hucksters in the practice of forestalling in the public Markets Be it ordained that it shall not be lawful for any Person from and after the tenth Instant to purchase in any of the public Markets or in any other part of this City to sell again any Provisions or Articles of any kind usually sold in the said public Markets (except Flour or Meal) until the Hour of Eleven in the forenoon of the same day under the penalty of twenty Shillings for the first Offence and for the second Offence the Sum of twenty Shillings and to be excluded the Priviledge of selling any Articles whatsoever in any of the said public Markets And further that it shall not be lawful for any Person to purchase in any of the said public Markets to sell again [160] any Flour or Meal until the Hour of four in the Afternoon under the penalty of five Shillings for each hundred Weight for each Offence

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treas[r] to pay.

issued	Daniel Burger for Repairs to Pumps.....	£39: 1: 4
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10[th] Sept[r] 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	George Janeway	Assist[ts]
Wynant Van Zandt		Garret Harsen	
Peter P Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Jotham Post	
John Campbell		Mangle Minthorn	

The Committee appointed by the Gov[r] for the purpose of taking Measures to preserve this City from the danger of contagious Diseases having represented to the Board the necessity of providing some safe Place for the reception & accommodation of such Persons as might be found afflicted with any such Complaint. That, after due Enquiry, the most eligible place appears to be that of Brockholst Livingston, *situate on the Bank of the [161] East River opposite the three Mile Stone and now held under Lease from him by Nicholas Denise for the Term of Six Years at the annual Rent of ninety Pounds with a Covenant that on the said Lessees paying to the said

*Marginal note reads *Bellevue*.—ED.

Lessor at any time before the expiration of the said Term the Sum of £1800 the said Lessor will release & convey to the said Lessee or his Assigns, the said Premisses in fee simple. That an Assignment of the said Lease can be obtained for the Sum of £2000. The said Committee now submit to the Board the expediency of this Corporation's making a purchase of the said Lease for the purpose aforesaid

Whereupon the Board determine that from the exposed situation of this City and in order to quiet the Minds of the Inhabitants it is indispensably necessary that a proper place should be provided And that under the present Circumstances the Place above mentioned appears to be most suitable for the Purpose And therefore that Mr Robert Lenox a Member of the said Committee be authorized on behalf of this Board to purchase the Lease of the said Premisses on the Terms above mentioned and that on his obtaining an Assignment of the said Lease to this Corporation and delivering the same to Mr Mayor that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay the said Consideration Money accordingly.

And further that the Treasurer negociate a Loan with the Bank of the said Money on behalf of this Board.

[162] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Septr 15th 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P. Van Zandt Theophilus Beekman Nicholas Bayard Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Isaac Stoutenburgh John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Frederick Stymets Mangle Minthorn Anthony Post Nicholas Carmer Garret Harsen George Janeway

Assistts

Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman, John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine a Water Lot of Isaac Riley between Burling Slip & Fletcher Street & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Brick or Stone

The Committee for cancelling small Change Notes reported that they had burnt the following to ashes vizt

7000	Bills of	one penny	£29: 3: 4
5500	Do	two Pence	45:16: 8
7000	Do	three pence	87:10:—
			£162:10:—

Ordered that Permission be given to James Watson to make a Gate on the Battery opposite to his House

To David Walker to make an Area & Cistern in the Street opposite his House in White Hall Street.

And to Thomas Stevenson to lead a private Drain from his House into the Common Sewer of Broad Street.

[163] Ordinances for paving "Greenwich Street from S° side of Murray Street to the S° side of Reade Street" And for digging out & paving Lumber Street from "Rector Street to Oisterpasty Lane" were respectively read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that the Commiss[rs] for Fortifications have the use of the Mud Drudge & Horses, on a reasonable Compensation for the use & to return it in good order

Ordered that the Corporation of the Hospital be permitted to bury their Dead in the triangular Piece of Ground near the three Mile stone.

Ordered that Ald[n] Beekman & Mess[rs] Janeway & Harsen be a Committee to confer with the Trustees of the Jewish Congregation Shearith Israel with respect to the regulating of the Line on the North side of Bancker Street.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issued	Alex[r] Lamb for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	Sam[l] Loudon for printing	7:18:—
issued	Daniel Burger for repairs Pumps	13:16: 4
issued	Thomas Lafoy as Clerk of the Election for Charter Officers last Year	0:16:—
issued	Matthew Dikeman for repairs to Pumps	6: 6: 0

Ordered that Thomas Ellison be appointed Inspector of the ensuing Election in the first Ward in the place of Cornelius Ray who will be necessarily absent from this City on the day of Election.

[164] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d Septr 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Peter P. Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Frederick Stymets	
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	
Theophs Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
		Nicholas Carmer	

Ordered that Aldn P: Van Zandt Stoutenburgh & Furman & Messrs J: Post & Stymets be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers on Thursday next to examine & audit the Treasurers Books & Accts of this Year & to report the same to the Board

A Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in Roosevelt Street praying that the said Street may be paved with the Kennel in the middle of the Street was read & referred to the Street Comtee

A Petition for the new regulating & paving of Rose Street, was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Corns Clopper be permitted to make a Sink in Water Street to receive the Water from his Lot.

And that Joseph Kingsland be permitted to make an Area in the Street at his House in Barclay Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasury to pay

issued	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Daniel Burger for Repairs to public Pumps.....	£23:19: 6

[165] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of September 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	
Theophilus Beekman		Anthony Post	
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
Peter P. Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorn	
John Campbell		George Janeway	
Nicholas Bayard			

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers Books & Accounts report "that there has been received since the last settle- "ment in Monies loaned from the Bank of New York and City Reve-

" nue the Sum of thirteen thousand four hundred & eighty one Pounds " 2/1¾ which with the ballance then due of fifteen hundred thirty " eight Pounds 12/11½ makes the amount of fifteen thousand & nine- " teen Pounds 15/1¼. That there has been paid out to the order of " Common Council & for incidental Charges twelve thousand & twenty " eight Pounds 12/5¾ which leaves a ballce due to the City of New " York from the Revenue Acct of two thousand nine hundred & " ninety one pounds 2/7½."

The Board then proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix was unanimously appointed accors

Mr Mayor then nominated & appointed James Culbertson to be High Constable for the ensuing Year

[166] A Petition of Joseph Corré proposing to erect & light a number of Lamps on the Battery for the accommodation of the Citizens in their Evens Walks; and praying the Privilege of erecting a small Builds on the north End for vending small Drinks & Fruits; was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the 1st the Aldn of 2d & 4th & the Assist. of the 5th Wards.

A Petition for the opening & continuing Cross or Orange Street into Chatham Street was read & referred to the Street Commtee to lay out the Street & then to report the further Measures necessary to be pursued.

Ordered that William Heyer be appointed a Measurer of Lime.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving New Street was ratified by the Bd and John Sickels was appointed to collect the Monies & John Stagg to pave the Street

The like for Chappel Street was ratified by the Board & John Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies & to pave the said Street.

The Board determined on a Survey, presented by Mr Mayor, of the Lots at Brooklyn and Aldn Stoutenburgh & Messrs Harsen & Janeway were appointed to direct an accurate Survey & Map thereof to be made & to report the proper mode of leasing out those Lots.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Abm Van Gelder the Sum of £50:17:6¾ for lighting the public Lamps

[167] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of Octr 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, Wynant Van Zandt, John Campbell } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Nichs Carmer, Mangel Minthorn, Frederick Stymets } Assistts

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Elections held on the 29th Ulto in the several Wards of this City for Charter Officers from which it appears that the following Persons were elected.

	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Frederick Stymets	Assistant
1st Ward	John Van Dyk, John Nitchie	Assessors
	Aert Huysman	Collector
	Azariah Dunham, Henry Burtsell	Constables
	Wynant Van Zandt	Alderman
	Garret Harsen	Assistant
2d Ward	Cornelius Stevenson, John P. Pears	Assessors
	William Gilbert	Collector
	Barnet Newkirk, Roswell Chapple	Constables
	Andrew Van Tuyl	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
3d Ward	Henry Ten Broeck, James Hunt	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Charles Handasyde, Samuel Stockwell	Constables
	Isaac Stoutenburgh	Alderman
	Anthony Post	Assistant
4th Ward	Jacob Abramse, John Houseman	Assessors
	Thomas Lafoy	Collector
	John Reins, John Ackerman	Constables
	Theophilus Beekman	Alderman
	Jotham Post	Assistant
5th Ward	Jotham Post, Thomas Hazard	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	John Fleming, Francis Currie	Constables

	John Campbell		Alderman
	George Janeway		Assistant
6th Ward	Anthony Lispenard John Crolius		Assessors
	John Fox		Collector
	Robert Berwick William Campbell		Constables
	Nicholas Bayard		Alderman
	Mangle Minthorn		Assistant
	James Stryker Robert Rutgers Junr	Bowery	Assessors
	Richard Furman	Division	Collector
7th Ward	Francis White John Dietz		Constables
	James Dikeman Thomas Brady	Harlem	Assessors
	John Bussing	Division	Collector
	William Waldron David Willson		Constables

Ordered that the aforegoing several & respective Officers be notified to attend on Tuesday the 14th Instant to take the Oaths prescribed & directed by Law & the Charter of this City.

The Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City laid before the Board his annual Acct of the Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies [169] raised by Tax; which were examined with their respective Vouchers by the Mayor & Alderman & found right & agreable to the Statute certified accordingly

Ordered that the neighborhood be permitted to sink two Wells in Greenwich Street the one near Moore Street & the other near Provoost Street under the Inspection of the Aldn and Assistant of the Ward.

The Committee appointed for the purpose reported a Map from an actual Survey of the Corporation Lots at Brooklyn; which was approved by the Board And the Committee further reported that as Gilbert Van Mater had for several Years occupied a part of the said Ground & paid an ample Rent for the same and as the Improvements thereon were become untenantable and he was desirous of making new Improvements, the Committee recommended it to the Board to let him have the two Lots nearest the River & described in the said Map by the numbers 4 & 5, for the Term of twenty one Years at the annual Rent of fifty Pounds & the Taxes. The said two Lots being each in Breadth thirty Feet and are int[end]ed to be in length Sixty feet;* which was also agreed to by the Board And a Lease was ordered to be prepared accordingly

* Marginal note reads *by an order of 27th Octr these Lots are to be 100 feet in length See P. 178.*—ED.

Ordered that the Treasurer demand of Richard Furman Collector the Monies assessed for indemnifying this Board for the Expence of opening Roosevelt Street and of David Harriot the like as to Franckfort Street

Ordered that the Road Committee direct the Road Master to make such Repairs to the Road in Division Street as to render it safe & passable.

[170] On reading a Petition of the Fireman attached to Engine N° 17th Complaining of insulting behavior from John W Hardenbrook one of their Company towards Archibald Kerly their Foreman and of neglect of Duty. &c

Ordered that the said John W Hardenbrook And John Willson who has also neglected his Duty be removed from the Office of Fireman

Ordered that Alexr Gibson be appointed vice the said John Willson and Charles Smith vice Danl Riker gone to Sea

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads.....	£131; 14: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 7th day of Octr 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Gabriel Furman Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman	Esqr Aldn	Garret Harsen George Janeway Frederick Stymets Nichs Carmer	Assists

Pursuant to the Statute of this State relative to the Office of Loan Officers Evert Bancker one of the Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes and Accounts by him & Cornelius Ray taken & kept as Loan Officers and this Board having carefully inspected & examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said [171] Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty in manner as by the said Statute is directed & required.

The follows is a Statement of their Accts viz^{t}

Debr { TREASURY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN ACCT WITH THE NEW LOAN OFFICERS OF THE CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK..... } Credr

1794 June 25.	To the Loan Officers Salary retained out of the Interest.....	£80	:—	:—	1794 May 6th	By Interest due on £19,300 for 1 Year at 6 ℔ Cent.....	£1158	:—	:—
do	To Cash paid the Treasurer in full as ℔ receipt.....	1082	:—	:—	do	By do on £400 two Mortgs N: 81 & 82 recd for 2 Months on money recd before due & put out on loan again.....	4	:—	:—
		£1162	:—	:—			£1162	:—	:—
						New York the 1st Octor 1794			
						Errors excepted			

Debr—THE CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK IN ACCT WITH THEIR LOAN OFFICERS.—Credr

		Int	ere	st	Princi	pal				Int	ere	st	Princi	pal	
1794 Augt 23rd	To the Loan Officers Salary retained out of the Interest.....	80	:—	:—	£	S	D	1793 Septemr 17th	By Ballance remaining on Loan.....	—:—	:—	:—	18,352	:—	:—
Do and Sept. 17th	To Cash paid the Treasurer in two payments in full for Principal and Interest received, as ℔ receipts..	856	2	6	3648	:—	:—	1794 June 17 Septemr 17th	By interest on £18,352 for 1 Yr at 5 ℔ Ct.... By Cash recd for 1 Year Interest that would have become due, on two Mortgages No. 95 & 155 the third Tuesday in June 1795.	917	12	:—			
do	To Ballance Principal on Loan.....	—:—	:—	:—	14,704	:—	:—			18	10	6			
		936	2	6	18,352	:—	:—			£936	2	6	18,352	:—	:—
									New York the 1st Octr 1794 Errors Excepted Evert Banker Corns Ray Loan Officers						

[172] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 14th day of Oct^{r} 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Frederick Stymets	Assist^{ts}
Wynandt Van Zandt		Garret Harsen	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Nicholas Carmer	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthony Post	
Theophilus Beekman		George Janeway	
John Campbell		Jotham Post	
Nicholas Bayard		Mangle Minthorn	

His Excellency the Gov^{r} by & with the advice & Consent of the Council of Appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esq^{r} to the Offices of Mayor Water Bailif & Clerk of the Markets of this City for the ensuing Year M^{r} Mayor attended by the Aldermen waited on his Excellency & before him in presence of the Aldermen, took the Oaths prescribed by the Charter of this City, And being returned to the City Hall the Mayors Commission was published with the usual Solemnities.

M^{r} Mayor then administered to the Aldermen & Assistants above-named respectively and to the several following Officers the Oaths prescribed by the Charter to be by them respectively taken viz^{t}

Marinus Willet Sheriff and Daniel Phœnix Treasurer or Chamberlain who respectively produced Bonds for the due execution of their respective [173] Offices which were approved by the Board

And to the following Assessors & Constables

James Culbertson H: Constable

Assessors	John Nichie	Azariah Dunham	Constables.
	Corn^{s} Stevenson	Henry Burtsell	
	John P. Pears	Barn't Newkerk	
	Henry Ten Broeck	Charles Handasyde	
	James Hunt	Samuel Stockwell	
	Jacob Abramse	John Reins	
	Thomas Hazard	John Fleming	
	John Crolius	Francis Currie	
	Robert Rutgers Jun^{r}	Robert Berwick	
		William Campbell	
		Francis White	
		John Dietz	
		David Willson	

Ordered that the follow^{g} absent Assessors & Constables be notified to attend at the next Meeting of the Board. viz^{t}

Assess^rs { John Van Dyk, James Dikeman, Thomas Brady } Roswell Chappel, John Ackerman Constables. Wm Waldron

It appearing from the Poll List of the Election in the 5th Ward that Jotham Post was elected to the Offices of Assistant and Assessor; the Board determined that those two Offices could not be held and exercised by one Person; whereupon Mr Post took the Oath as an Assistant and the place of Assessor remains vacant until a future Election.

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Messrs Harsen & Carmer be the standg Comtee of Accts That Aldn Stoutenburgh Furman Beekman Campbell, Van Tuyl, & Messrs Harsen & Minthorn be the standing Committee for Streets & Roads And that Aldn Bayard, & Van Zandt & Messrs Stymets, J. Post & Minthorn be the standing Committee for Lamps.

[174] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of October 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman, Gabriel Furman, Wynant Van Zandt, Andrew Van Tuyl, Isaac Stoutenburgh, John Campbell } Esqrs Aldn

Jotham Post, Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorn, George Janeway, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Post, Frederick Stymets } Assists

John Van Dyk, Thomas Brady & James Dyckman Assessors & John Ackerman Constable, respectively attended & took the Oaths of Office prescribed by the Charter

Ordered that Elections be held on Thursday the 30th Instant in the 5th Ward of an Assessor vice Jotham Post and in the 2d & 7th Wards of a Constable in each vice Roswell Chappel & William Waldron who are neither Fre[e]men or Freeholders.

An Ordinance for paving Robinson Street from Chappel Street to Greenwich Street was read & passed by the Board

Ordered that the new paving of Roosevelt Street from Chatham Street to Rutgers Street be postponed until next Spring & that the Ordinance for that purpose be suspended accordingly.

A Representation of Richard Furman relative to the Monies by him collected for opening & continuing Roosevelt Street [175] was read & referred to the Treasurer.

Ordered that Benjamin Taylor be and he is hereby appointed a Surveyor of this City.

A Petition of Andrew Bostwick for Lamps in the southern part of Greenwich Street was read & referred to the Lamp Committee.

An Estimate & Assessment for the digging out & filling in of Augustus Street was read & ratified by the Board and George Janeway & Joseph Stringham were appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessment & to superintend the digging out & filling in of the said Street

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Edward Livingston & others respecting the opening of Orange Street to Chatham Street in the 6[th] Ward Report, that agreable to the Survey thereof herewith submitted it appears that the said Street is butted on the East by the Lot now occupied by Doctor Kunze and a Lot belonging to Gerardus Hardenbrook—That only the Lot of Hardenbrook is vacant and that 22 feet in breadth of the said Lot from the bounds of Doctor Kunze's House will range with the north side of the said Street. Your Committee therefore recommend that 22 feet in breadth of the Lot of Gerardus Hardenbrook be taken to continue the said Orange Street to Chatham Street and that the lawful Measures be pursued to compensate [176] him therefor at the Expence of the Petitioners.

Ordered that the legal process be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that the Battery Committee take order for the necessary Repairs there. that the Committee for improvements in the *Fields direct the Bridewell Fence to be made And that Ald[n] Campbell & Furman & Mess[rs] Janeway & Stymets cause the Fencing at Belle Vue to be repaired

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

issued	Rinier Skaats on acc[t] towards purchasing fire Wood for the Court Room	£60:—:—
issued	To the Clerks of the late Elections for Charter Officers	£5:12:—
issued	W[m] J Elsworth for Coroners Inquests on dead Bodies	£36:13:—
issued	Rob[t] Gosman for making a Box to a fire Engine	£18:14: 3
issued	Isaac Meade for removing a fire Engine House	£17:10: 5
issued	Lazalier & Williamson for repair to public Pumps	£3: 8:—
issued	Archibald Dunlap for the like	£21:14: 2
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£56: 7:—

* Marginal note reads *Park.*—ED.

[177] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of October 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Jotham Post Nichs Carmer Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorn Frederick Stymets Anthony Post George Janeway	Assists

The Copy of a Declaration in Ejectment in a Suit brought by Edward Livingston for the Strip of Ground at the Battery whereon the public Artillery Store is erected adjoining the Lot at the Corner of Pearl Street lately purchased by him of Edward Griswould, was handed to the Board by Mr Hunter the public Store keeper And it was ordered to be delivered to Mr Recorder as Atty & Council for this Corporation to be defended.

A Petition from sundry black Africans Men in this City praying the Aid of this Board in purchasing a Piece of Ground for the interment of their dead; was read and referred to Aldn Campbell & Messrs Janeway & Minthorn.

Ordered that Charles McCarty and Andw Williams be appointed Firemen vice John Hardenbrook & Peter Hardenbrook to Engine No 17.

[178] On a new Application by Gilbert Van Mater* Ordered that the Lots at Brooklin lately agreed to be leased to him be each 100 feet in length instead of 60 feet as reported by the Committee on the 6th Instant

Ordered that Messrs Harsen Carmer & Janeway be a Committee to take Order for preventing the Leaking of the City Hall Roof

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	The Commissrs of the Alms House the Sum of £100 to be by them applied towards the Relief of certain indigent Families.	
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£51: 5:11¼
issued	Smith & Handasyde for going to Phils in quest of a Felon by order of the Supreme Court.....	£16:14: 2
issued	Joseph Shelvey public Whipper.....	£12:10:10
issued	John Goodeve for 1 Box Candles.....	£3: 6: 8

* Marginal note reads *See P. 169.*—Ed.

[179] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Nov^{r} 3^{d} 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen	Assistants
Theophilus Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
John Campbell		George Janeway	

The Committee of Acc^{ts} reported that they had examined the Acc^{ts} of the Commiss^{rs} for the last Quarter amounting.

The Alms House to	£3807:10: 9¾
The Bridewell	486:17:11

The Commiss^{rs} Estimate for the ensuing Quarter was rec^{d} & approved amount^{s}

The Alms House to	£1800:—:—
The Bridewell to	£200:—:—

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasurer for the paym^{t} thereof accordingly issued

On the application of John Jackson Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine his Lot between the Ferry Stairs & Burlings Slip and to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Brick or Stone

By reason of the bodily Indisposition of Alex^{r} Lamb Ordered that Nich^{s} Lawrence officiate as a Captain of the City Watchmen until Captain Lamb['s] recovery

[180] On a suggestion that the City is endangered by the storing of Sulpher and Hemp, Ald^{n} Furman & Mess^{rs} Carmer & Janeway were appointed a Committee to investigate this Business & to report to the Board.

Ordered that Jacob Tabelle be appointed to prosecute for all Fines incurred by the Laws for preventing Fires.

Ordered that Mess^{rs} John Post & George Warner be appointed Engineers of the Firemen vice Francis Basset and John Quackenbos resigned.

Ordered that the Schoolmaster of the Alms House be allowed 2 Cords of Wood

Ordered that Silvester Buskirk be permitted to have a Cistern in the Street on the side of his House in Partition Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Aldn Campbell on Acct towards the Improvemts in the Fields	£200:—:—
issued	Wm Gilbert for the public's Part in paving at the Old Slip	£16:14: 2
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for his Expences in apprehendg a Felon	£2: 3:—
issued	Wm Sloo for conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell	£17: 2: 6
issued	Edwd Meeks for Iron Work to public Lamps	£12:14: 9

[181] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of Novr 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Isaac Stoutenburgh, Andrew Van Tuyl, John Campbell, Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman

Assistts: Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorn, Jotham Post, Anthony Post, Nichs Carmer, George Janeway

A Return of the Election in the fifth Ward of an Assessor was read from which it appears that Jeremiah Wood was duly elected. Ordered that he be notified to attend at the next Meeting to be qualified

The following Reports of the Street Committee were read & agreed to vizt

"The Street Committee Report that Fletcher Street be paved agreable to the following Regulation vizt Beginning at the Kennel on the south side of Front Street and thence extending the distance of 130 feet to the Bridge on a Descent of one Inch on every 10 feet."

That the followg Regulation be adopted for the lower End of John Street vizt

Beginning at the Kennel on the westerly side of Gold Street and thence descendg to the intersection of Cliff Street 4 Inches & 7/10 on 10 feet and thence descending across Pearl Street to the Kennel on the southerly side thereof 8 Inches & 7/10 [182] on every 10 feet."

An Ordinance for the paving of Fletcher Street agreable to the above Report was passed by the Board And an Ordinance for the paving of John Street was ordered to be prepared at the next Meeting.

A Petition of Robert Simmons Eleanor Dunlap & Alex^{r} Crawford praying Compensation for loss of Ground by the straitening of John Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Stoutenburgh & Campbell & M^{r} Janeway be a Committee to direct a Survey of the Land at the Alms House Goal & Bridewell preparatory to the erection of a new Alms House.

Ordered that the Clerk notify the Inspectors of the late Election for Assembly Men, of the Election of a Representative for this City in Congress on the second Tuesday in Dec^{r} next

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed Fire Men viz^{t}

Engine N^{o} 20 John Elsworth & George Smith vice George Wallgrove & Moses Roff resigned

N^{o} 15 John T Barrow vice Aha^{s} Turk dec^{d} & John M^{c}Comb vice George Warner promoted

N^{o} 11 Francis Manny vice John Clem removed into the Country

N^{o} 14 Ab^{m} Van Orden George Lamplin & Conradt Van Derbeek vice Valentine Shimeal Peter Cole & John Aymar resigned

N^{o} 3 James Gosman vice W^{m} Van Dolsen resigned

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Services & Disbursm^{ts}.....	£13: 5:—
issued	[183] Joseph Cheesman for paving Roosevelt Street on the side of the Corporation Lot.....	£19:15:—
issued	Walter & Isaac Heyer for Whitewash Brushes for the City Hall	£1: 1:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of November 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen	Assist^{ts}
Nicholas Bayard		Mangel Minthorn	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Nicholas Carmer	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthony Post	
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
Theophilus Beekman			
John Campbell			

Thomas Greenleaf printer. admitted & sworn a Free Man

An Ordinance for paving the lower end of John Street was read & passed by the Board

A Petition from the Lamp lighters for an encrease to their pay was read & referred to Aldⁿ Stoutenburgh & Furman & Mʳ Harsen.

The Committee for cancelling & burning the defaced small change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the followᵍ vizᵗ

7000	of one penny	£29: 3: 4
8000	of two pence	66:13: 4
10,000	of three pence	125:—:—
		£220:16: 8

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor isue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Peter Abeel for his Services as Clk at the late Election in the 5th Wd of an Assist vice Tobias Van Zandt decd	£0:16:—
issued	George Bunker for lamp Oil	£9:19: 4
issued	Marinus Willet for Sherifs Fees in summonᵍ Juries on Accᵗ of widenᵍ John Street	£6:16:—

[184] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of December 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqʳ Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Isaac Stoutenburgh
Wynant Van Zandt
Andrew Van Tuyl
} Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ

Gerrit Harsen
Nicholas Carmer
Jotham Post
Mangle Minthorn
Frederick Stymets
Anthony Post
George Janeway
} Assistᵗˢ

A Petition of James Hearn for the exclusive Privilege of clearing the Streets of Dirt & Filth; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

The Proprietors of the Houses & Lots formerly of the Estate of Isaac Brasher decd on Golden Hill attended the Board & offered their Reasons for being dissatisfied with the Report of the Committee of the 18th of Augᵗ last on their Petition for Compensation for the parts of their Lots thrown into the Street to straiten & widen John Street Whereupon the said Subject was recommitted to Aldⁿ Van Tuyl and Messʳˢ J. Post & Janeway.

A Petition against the opening & continuing of Orange Street into Chatham Street was read & postponed

Ordered that Peter De Riemer remove the Hay Scale from it's present Situation in State Street to the West side of White Hall

Street near the River in such manner as the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward shall direct And that it be a Condition with Mr De Riemer that [185] he at his own Expence from time to time cause all the Dirt & Filth in the Street between the north side of State Street & the Wall Plate at the Slip to be removed and the Street to be kept clean.

Ordered that the Treasr discharge the Bond from this Corporation to Isaac Roosevelt decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Jacob Clinch & James Hounam each 16/ for their attendance as Clerks at the late Elections in the 2d & 7th Wards for Constables.....	£1:12:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£51: 4: 6½
issued	John Hyde for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the Evacuation of this City by the British Troops on the 25th Novr.....	£46:11:—
issued	George Gosman for paving at the Watch House.....	£18:18: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of Decr 1794.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Wynant Van Zandt		Jotham Post	
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post	
Theophilus Beekman		Mangel Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Christopher Stymets	
John Campbell		George Janeway	

A Petition of Samuel Spragg, Donald Nostrandt & Charles Dougherty for the Privilege of continuing to remove the Dirt & Filth [186] out of one or more of the Wards was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Henry Ludlam & Peleg Hide for a further Grant into Hudsons River; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Aldn Stoutenburgh from the Committee on the Lamp lighters Petition reported that in the Opinion of the Committee they ought to be allowed at the rate of eighteen Pence per Lamp per Month from the 26th day of Novr last; which Report was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn Campbell on Acct the further Sum of £200 towards the Improvements in the Fields.	
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	The Clerks of the late Election for a Representative in Congress	£33:12:—
issued	John Graham for Repairs to Lamps.....	£11: 1: 3
issued	Elias Burger for Repairs to the North River Bason....	£13: 6:—
issued	Thomas Greenleaf for printing.....	£9: 8:—
issued	Jonathan Pearssee for subsists criminal Prisoners in Goal from October 1793 to Septr 1794 inclusive.....	£269:18: 4

[187] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of Decr 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, John Campbell, Andrew Van Tuyl, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Jotham Post, Mangle Minthorne, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Post, George Janeway } Assistt

A Petition of Townsend Underhill for a further Grant of the Soil under Water in the East River was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Ramsay for a further Privilege of erecting a Mill Dam on Harlem River at Devoes was read and referred to the Committee on the Petition of John B Coles.

Aldn Stoutenburgh from the Street Committee to whom was referred the Statement and Liquidation of the Accounts of Richard Furman for filling in the Meadows & digging out the Bowery Lane Reports that the said Richard Furman has expended for filling in the Lots in the Meadows the Sum of £156:17:7 and for filling in the Streets in that Quarter the Sum of £9:1:5 over and above the amount of the whole Sums contained in the respective Assessments therefor, except the Sum of £80:19:8 assessed upon Lots belonging to Samuel Osgood [188] and a further Sum of £43:2:10 assessed on a Lot of Ground the proprietor of which is unknown. That the Assessment for the Bowery Lane amounted to £125:5:4 and that the said Richard Furman has expended for that Work the Sum of £44:10/ over and above that Assessment which with the four first Sums amount to

£334: 11: 6. That the Assessments for filling in the Meadows & Streets in that Quarter in the whole amount to £1836: 18/ and that the Committee are of Opinion that the Sum of seven per Cent upon the whole Expenditures will amount to a suitable Compensation to Mr Furman for his Services in causing that Work to be executed & which Compensation will amount to £128: 11: 7 That Mr Furman is justly entitled to the like Compensation of seven per Cent on the £125: 5: 4 expended by him in digging out the Bowery Lane amounting to £8: 15: 4 which Sum with the said £128: 11: 7 and the Sum of £334: 11: 6 (being the amount of the first mentioned Sum) amounts to £471: 18: 5.

That Mr Furman proposes to assume the collection of the Monies yet due on the different Assessment Lists for the Bowery Lane, Meadow, Streets and Roosevelt Street now in his hands except the said Sums of £80: 19: 8 & £43: 2: 10 at his own Risque & on his own Account [189] And that he will account for and pay the whole amount of the Monies due to the Corporation on the Assessment for continuing Roosevelt Street and the Drain upon the Boards authorizing Mr Phœnix to permit the said Sum of £471: 18: 5 to remain in his hands until legal Measures can be taken by the Board for the recovery of the Monies yet due from Samuel Osgood & for the Lot the proprietors whereof are unknown as aforesaid and for the Monies which yet remain to be reassessed as aforesaid" Whereupon resolved that this Board do approve of the said Report of the Committee and that the Treasurer be directed to permit the said Sum of £471: 18: 5 of the Monies due to the Board on the Roosevelt Street Assessment to remain in Mr Furmans hands 'till the further Order of this Board.

Ordered that Obadiah Helms & Wm Robertson be appointed firemen to Hook & Ladder Company No 2 vice Thomas Lufberry resigned & Wm Hopson displaced for neglect of Duty.

And Abraham Prall & George Townsend to Engine No 18 vice William Bown & Peter Talman resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	George Janeway on Acct towards Repairs to the Goal...	£40: —: —
issued	Aldn Campbell towards a Well sunk at the Corner of Moore & Greenwich Streets.....	£5: 16: —
issued	Jacob Harsen for Repairs to the Roads.....	£415: 19: 1
issued	David Waldron for the like.....	£160: 4: 6
issued	John Goodeve for a Box Candles.....	£4: 16: 8

[190] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Decr 1794

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
John Campbell
Theophs Beekman
Nicholas Bayard
Wynant Van Zandt
Isaac Stoutenburgh
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangel Minthorn
Garret Harsen
Anthony Post
George Janeway
Jotham Post
} Assists

Ordered that the Clerk notify Edward Livingston & the other Proprietors of the Lots immediately interested in the opening of Orange Street into Chatham Street that the Jury have assessed the Damage & Recompence due to Gerardus Harden Broeck for the part of his Lot taken to open the said Street at £1000, And that he & the said other Proprietors must attend this Board on Monday next to secure the payment of the said Money to Mr Hardenbrook, other wise the proceedings with respect to the opening of the said Street will cease & the part of the Lot taken as aforesaid will revert to Mr Hardenbrook.

Ordered that Cornelius Van Voorheis be appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood in the place of Jaspar Ten Brook decd

Ordered that Bartholomew Skaats be permitted to occupy the No East Room in the third Story of the City Hall until the further order of this Board.

[191] Ordered that Anthony Smith be permitted to make an Area to his House in George Street

A Petition of Thomas Bradey to lease a part of the Common Lands and a Petition of Allen Clapp to Lease of the Soil under Water at Pecks Slip were respectively read & referred to the Land Committee.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£55:15:—
issued	James Culbertson for superintends the cleaning of Streets	£8: 6: 8
issued	Sebring & Van Wyck for Gun Powder for the Militia on the late anniversary of the Evacuation of this City by the british Troops.....	£5: 5:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Janʸ 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman, John Campbell, Gabriel Furman, Isaac Stoutenburgh, Wynant Van Zandt, Nicholas Bayard } Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer, Frederick Stymets, Mangel Minthorn, Garret Harsen, Anthony Post } Assistts

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of an Estimate of the Monies to be raised by Tax to defray the Expences arising in this City this Year And the following Estimate was agreed to by the Board vizt

[192] 1st For the support & maintenance of the Poor And to provide for further Materials for the erection of a new Alms House..... £11,000
2d For the subsisting criminal prisoners in Goal & Bridewell & for Repairs to the Buildings..... 1,000
3d For Repairs to the public Roads & regulating & improving Streets 1,400
4th For defraying the contingent Charges arising in the City & County 600

The aforegoing Sums to be raised on the whole City & County..... £14,000
And the follows Sums to be raised on the City South of the Line beginning at Anthony Lispenards on Hudsons River & extending to the East River at Abm Cannons.
vizt
1st For the pay of the City Watch & the contingt Expences thereon 2,700
2d For Lamps & Repairs, Oil & lighting & cleaning them..... 2,700
3d For defraying the expences of the public Wells & Pumps & the City contingt Expences..... ,600

£6,000

A Petition to the Legislature for a Law to authorize the raising of the above mentioned several Sum was then read & approved by the Board and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

A Petition of Jacob Latting for a further Grant into Hudsons River was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the Street Committee take order for amending the Street near the Plow & Harrow.*

[193] Ordered that two additional Stalls be placed in the Hudson Market at the lower End of Vesey Street.

*Explanatory insertion of later date reads *Bowery*.—Ed.

The Committee for cancelling the small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follows viz[t]

7000 of 1[d]	£29: 3: 4
7000 of 2[d]	58: 6: 8
7000 of 3[d]	87:10:—
	£175: 5:—

Ordered that the said Committee purchase Paper sufficient for a further Emission to the amount of £2000.

Ordered that an Indulgence be allowed to Sea Vessels to lay at the Corporation Wharfs in Hudsons River on permission being first obtained from Ald[n] Stoutenburgh or Ald[n] Furman.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay
James Ford & John Gomez for two Bridges at Burlings Slip... £17:12: 9

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Jan[y] 12[th] 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Gabriel Furman, Theoph[s] Beekman, John Campbell, Wynant Van Zandt } Esq[rs] Ald[n] Anthony Post, Garret Harsen, George Janeway, Mangle Minthorn, Frederick Stymets

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	The Estate of Peter Van Steenbergh late City Surveyor dec[d] for Survey[s] Streets.....	£8:—:—
issued	[194] Michael Brooks for painting at the City Hall.....	£3: 8: 5
issued	John Stagg for Repairs to Bridges in the 7[th] Ward.....	£13: 8: 3
issued	The same for paving about several public Wells.....	£5:13:—
issued	The same for the like.....	£4:10: 4
issued	James Culbertson for public Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th Janʸ 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqʳ Recorder

Nichˢ Bayard	Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ	Garret Harsen	Assistᵗˢ
Theophˢ Beekman		Anthᵒ Post	
John Campbell		Mangle Minthorn	
Andrew Van Tuyl		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Frederick Stymets	
Wynant Van Zandt			

A Petition of John B Coles relative to the Water Lots at White Hall was read & referred to the Comᵗᵉᵉ on that Subject

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasʳ to pay

issued	The Commissʳˢ of the Alms & Bridewell on Accᵗ.....	£1200:—:—
issued	Aldⁿ Wynant Van Zandt for the ballᶜᵉ of his Accᵗ for Repairs & working the Mud Drudge.....	£76:16: 8½
issued	Joseph Shelvey public Whipper.....	£10:15:—
issued	George Bunce & Cᵒ for printing.....	£4: 9:—

[195] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of Janʸ 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqʳ Recorder

John Campbell	Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ	Garret Harsen	Assistᵗˢ
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorne	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthony Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Frederick Stymets	
Theophilus Beekman			

Some of the Engineers & fire Men attended the Common Council and in writing represented to the Board the Danger to which this City is exposed from the great Quantities of Hemp & Sulpher stored in several parts of this City, & suggested the propriety of an amendment to the Law for preventˢ Fires; Whereupon it was ordered that the Committee on that subject take the said Representation into consideration & report their Opinion thereon to the Board

A Petition of Martha Bingham praying Relief against the Expence of paving the Street in front of her Lot; was read & rejected.

Ordered that Peter Lorilliard be appointed a fire Man to Engine Nº 8 and John Marschalk to Engine Nº 7 vice John Post.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	James Culbertson for his Co of City Watchn.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting public Lamps.....	£50:13:—

[196] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 2d febv 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard
Theophilus Beekman
Isaac Stoutenburgh
John Campbell
Gabriel Furman
Wynant Van Zandt
Andrew Van Tuyl
} Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen
George Janeway
Frederick Stymets
Jotham Post
Mangel Minthorn
Anthony Post
} Assistts

The Bd having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Acct reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them just & right. vizt

The Alms Hs.....	£2807:10: 9¾
Bridewell	305:11: 2

An Estimate for the ensuing Qr was then read & approved vizt

for the Alms Hs.....	£2000:—:—
Bridewell	200:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay the said Sums accordingly Also to pay.

issued	Michl Brooks for Repairs to Lamps.....	£32:17: 3
issued	Josiah Furman for the like.....	£45: 8: 8
issued	Wm Sloo for conveying Vagrants to Bridewl.....	£13:10:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for putting up Stoves in the Court Room	£11: 6:10

The Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell laid before the Board the follows Report on the Subject of the Alms House & Bridewell which was examined & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the same be published & printed in Hand Bills for the information of the public. vizt

[197] "At a Meeting of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell on Monday the 2d febv 1795 for the information of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York with respect to the State of the Alms House & Bridewell the above Com-

missioners make report as follows. That the number of Paupers now on their Books is 622, that is 363 Adults and 259 Children mostly under nine Years of Age. The average number on the Books through the Year past was 585. Of the above 363 Adults there was born

in New York	102	Children born in New York whose parents are Citizens	148
England	29	Do mostly born in N: York whose Parents are Emigrants	75
Ireland	87	Do born in this and the neighboring States whose Parents now reside here	36
Scotland	30		259
Germany	34		
United States	60		
Other Parts	21		
	363		

Of the above number of Children 43 being out on Trial, reduces the average number actually in the House through the Year to 542.

The Expence of supporting those 542 Paupers through the Year past is £8319:1:6, which is about £15:7. per head or 10 per day that is

for provisions per day	5¼
for Clothing, fire Wood, Medicines &c &c	4¾
	10 pence

We know of no Person or Persons now in the House who can be legally sent off as Residents of other Places, and yet there are numbers who have never gained a legal Residence here Such as European Sick and lame Sailors and others, who perhaps are rather objects of the General Hospital, but whom the Magistrates cannot permit to suffer or perish in our Streets Among the objects of the house, there are 14 Persons who are entirely blind; and 8 or 10 others nearly so, and 28 afflicted with lunacy insanity and idiotism; numbers bowing under a load of Years & the Infirmities of Old Age; And altho' few comparatively, are confined to their Beds by sickness, yet many are subject [198] to Rheumatisms, Ulcers and Palsies and to Fits which impair their Reason and elude all the force of Medicine.

The number of Paupers on our Books, the beginning of the Year past was		575
Admitted in the course of the Year		532
		1107
Discharged in the course of the Year	318	
Died in the Alms House	73	
Bound out—78 Boys & 16 Girls	94	
		485
	Remains	622

Every Adult admitted, with very few exceptions, have their Complaints of some kind or other and yet no Person is hired in the House through the course of the Year, to make mend or wash for upwards of five hundred Poor of the above description. The Business of sewing, spinning and picking Oakum is daily attended to by all who are able to work and are not employed in the Wash House the Cookery the Bakery or the Nurseries. The Children are every Morning washed and combed by their Nurses and sent to School and Divine Worship is atended to in one of the Appartments two Evenings every Week.

From the foregoing State of the House, we see what numbers of Emigrants unavoidably fall to our Lot to support and maintain; and it is worthy of remark that numbers of these having spent their Strength at labouring in different Counties of the State, without gaining any legal Residence anywhere have, when superanuated, been sent, or of their own accord wandered to us, merely because they first landed at this Port.

We are sensible of the burthen on our fellow Citizens, and particularly at this time when the necessity of building a new Alms House is so apparent, for all the Wards of the present Building, are capable of accommodating with conveniency [199] but little more than half the number now under our care; not to say any Thing of the extremely decayed state of most of the old Buildings in which the Poor are placed.

Bridewell

The average number of Vagrants and Convicts, supported in the Bridewell through the Year past was 73 and as numbers of them were not able to work they collectively cannot support themselves Therefore the Expenditures of the Institution, over and above its own Earnings hath for the last Year been upwards of £600.

signed by order & on behalf of the Board of Commissioners

John Stagg. Chairman

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of february 1795.

Present/ Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Garret Harsen	
Theophilus Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
John Campbell		George Janeway	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Frederick Stymets	

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt "The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John B Coles

for himself and as Executor for the Estate of Robert C Livingston dec[d] Report that Lambert Moore and John De Lancey and the other proprietors of Lots fronting on the River between the White Hall Slip and Moore Street have agreed [200] to accept of Grants upon the Terms proposed in the said Petition; Your Committee are therefore of Opinion that a Grant of the Soil under the Water in front of their respective Lots be made to the said several Proprietors conformable to the proposition in the said petition contained, after an accurate Survey thereof shall be made and the Arrears of Quit Rent paid, agreable to proposals of the said John B Coles in the said Petition.

New York Feb[y] 9[th] 1795

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Gabriel Furman
Garret Harsin"

Ordered that the same Committee direct the Survey mentioned in the said Report to be made accordingly

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist[s] of the Wards take Order for repairing the late Injury by Storm to Coenties & the Corporation Wharfs, that the Battery Committee do the like at the Battery And that the public Horses & Carts be employed in raising the Ground between Greenwich Street and the new Bason at Thames Street

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issued	Charles Doughty towards a Fire Engine & its apparatus at Brooklyn Ferry	£25:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for the like	£56: 7:—
issued	George Forman for print[g] Report of State of the Alms House & Bridewell	£2: 8:—

[201] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16[th] day of Feb[y] 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Nicholas Bayard	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen	Assist[ts]
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	
Theoph[s] Beekman		George Janeway	
Wynant Van Zandt		Anthony Post	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	

The Committee for cancelling the small Change Notes reported that they had attended at the Treasurers & burn't to ashes the following defaced Notes viz[t]

6800 of one penny	£28: 6: 8
6700 of two pence	55:16: 8
8800 of three pence	110:—:—
	£194: 3: 4

A Petition for the opening & continuing Bancker Street into Pearl Street with a Petition from the subscribers to the Legislature on the same subject; were read & referred to the Street Committee.

Applications from William Lawrence for the appointment of five Persons pursuant to Law to examine his Lot gained out of the East River on the East side of Dover Street and to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Brick or Stone Of James H Kip for the like with respect to his Lot on the West side of the said Street And of Peter Bogert for the like with respect to a Water [Lot] of Ann Byvanck; between Beekman & Pecks Slip were respectively read

And John Stagg, George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day were appointed accordingly.

[202] The Committee appointed to report on the Danger arising from the storing of Sulpher & Hemp in this City and an Amendment to the Law for regulating of Buildings Report that no greater Quantity than ten hundred Weight of Sulpher, and no greater Quantity than twenty hundred Weight of Hemp or Flax ought to be stored in any one place in this City Southward & Westward of

And the Committee are of Opinion that the Law for regulating of Buildings ought to be amended so as that no Building (excepting those of Stone or Brick & covered with Slate or Tile) should be of any greater height from the Surface or level of the Ground to the Eve or lower part of the Roof than twenty eight feet and that the Rise or Pitch of the Roof ought not to exceed ten Inches on each foot."

Ordered that the said Report be referred to Mr Recorder to Draft a Petition to the Legislature & a Law on the Subjects of the said Reports.

Ordered that the Clerk notify Mr Dunbar that unless he make the Streets & Wharf in front of his Water Lot at Burlings Slip agreable to the Covenants contained in the Grant of the said Water Lot by the first of August next this Board will proceed against him according to Law.

Ordered that the Clerk obtain Answers from Peter P Van Zandt & the Executors of the Estate of Jacob Brewerton decd Whether they

will accept a Grant of the Water Lot on the S° W^t side of Burlings Slip on the Terms agreed to by the Board on the 27^th May 1793.

[203] The auditing Committee Report that they have examined the Accounts of Richard Varick the Mayor for Market Fees received & paid by him from 30^th Dec^r 1793 to the 27^th Dec^r last. That he has received from James Culbertson & Rinier Skaats in full for Fees collected by them in the several Markets in this City for that period the Sum of One thousand Six hundred & seventy seven Pounds 10/11^d And that he has paid to Daniel Phœnix the City Treasurer the Sum of Eight hundred & thirty eight Pounds 15/6^d on that Acc^t That they have also examined his Acc^t for Tavern Licences. That the Mayor has received for 595 Licences issued to Tavern keepers from the first day of March last to the 10^th Day of Jan^y follow^g the Sum of Eight hundred and ninety two Pounds 10/ That he has paid the one fifth thereof, amounting to One hundred and seventy eight Pounds 10/ to Robert Benson the Clerk. That he has retained an equal Sum to his own Use And that he has paid to Hugh Gaine the Sum of seven Pounds 16/ for print^g the Licences And that he has paid the Ball^ce of £527: 14 to M^r Phœnix the City Treasurer

Gabriel Furman
Nicholas Carmer
Garret Harsin.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treas^r to pay.

issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^r Salary & 9/6 disburs^mts.....	£12:19: 6
issued	Casimir Th: Gœrick for surveying Streets.....	£41: 4:—
issued	Simon Kierstead for repairs to Wells & Pumps.....	£80: 0: 3

[204] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23^d day of feb^y 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^r Recorder

Wynant Van Zandt
Theoph^s Beekman
Gabriel Furman
John Campbell
Isaac Stoutenburgh
} Esq^rs Ald^n

Garret Harsen
Mangel Minthorn
Nich^s Carmer
Anthony Post
George Janeway
Frederick Stymets
} Assist^ts

On reading an Application of Matthew Clarkson lately appointed to the Office of Loan Officer, of the United States, in this State.

Ordered that he be permitted to occupy the Rooms in the City

Hall in like manner as his predecessor, until the further Order of this Board.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 4th & the Aldn of the 1st Ward be a Committee to enquire into the Circumstances of the public Ferries to Paulus Hook, Hoboock & Wehawck & report the most eligible mode of letting them at the expiration of the Term for which they were leased.

A Petition of David McCain to hire the House at the junction of the Post and Bloomingdale Roads was read & referred to the Land Committee

A Petition of John Rogers relative to the Water Lots in front of the Estate of Wm Malcom decd at Beekmans Slip was read & referred to Ald Van Tuyl & Beekman & Mr Carmer.

Ordered that William Ballard and James Wendell be appointed Measurers of Grain in this City.

[205] The Clerk informed the Board that he had according to the Order of the last Meeting *he had* notified Mr Dunbar relative to the compleating of the Wharf & Street at Burling Slip And also Peter P Van Zandt & the Exrs of Jacob Brewerton decd And that Mr Van Zandt & Mr Robt Carter one of the said Executors had attended at the Clerks Office and signified their willingness to accept of the Grant of the Water Lot on the West side of Burling Slip on the Terms agreed to by this Board on the 27th May 1793

Ordered that a Grant be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Danl Burger for Repairs to Wells & Pumps.....	£32: 1: 7
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£56: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of March 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophilus Beekman, Gabriel Furman, Wynant Van. Zandt, John Campbell } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorne, Anthony Post, George Janeway, Frederick Stymets } Assistts

A Petition from the Proprietors of Lots on Delancey's Ground for a general Regulation of the Streets in that Quarter; was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that James Wessels be appointed a Measurer of Lime

[206] On reading a Petition of George Gosman Abraham Russel & Joseph Newton, praying the Use of the Mud Drudge with the Apparatus thereunto belonging for digging out & lowering the Bed of the River at Brunswick in New Jersey for the purpose of erecting a Bridge over the said River,

Ordered that they have the use thereof for the Term of two Months not to exceed the first day of July next that they pay for the use thereof at the rate of £100 per Month And that they return the said Mud Drudge on or before the first day of July next with all her Apparatus Tackle and Apparel in as good Order as they receive her.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Van Zandt & Mess^{rs} A: Post & Stymets be a Committee on the part of this Board to conclude the Contract on the Terms aforesaid and to take a Bond with sufficient Penalty from the said Petitioners for the performance on their part of the above Terms.

The Street Committee reported on the Petitions for continuing Bancker Street into Pearl Street & for widening Beaver Lane Whereupon it was ordered that a Petition be presented to the Legislature for a Law to authorize the making of the said Improvements to the said Streets: provided not more than one fifth of the Expence be imposed on this Corporation.

Ordered also that a petition be presented to the Legislature for a Law to raise £10,000 Lottery towards the building of an Alms House

Ordered that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed to the said petitions & that M^{r} Mayor subscribe and present them on behalf of this Board.

[207] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	The Commissioners of the Alms House to be applied towards the Relief of certain indig^{t} families.....	£60:—:—
issued	Isaac Stoutenburgh & Son for Ironmongery.....	£24:12: 2
issued	Isaac Stoutenburgh for the like.....	£21:19: 5
issued	John Stoutenburgh for the like.....	£16: 3:11
issued	Joseph Watkins towards a Well lately sunk, Corner of Greenwich and provoost Streets.....	£11: 4:—
issued	Tho^{s} Furdon for Repairs to the City Hall.....	£8:15: 7
issued	Nich^{s} Carmer for Repairs to Fly Mark^{t}.....	£60:16: 1
issued	Dan^{l} Burger for Repairs to Pumps.....	£18: 4: 6
issued	John Day for Repairs to Roosevelt Street Sewer.....	£4: 9:—
issued	Moore & Gosman for additional Mason Work to Roosevelt Street Sewer.....	£39:10:10
issued	Jacob Blank for setting boundary Post at the fresh Water Pond	£0:16:—
issued	Corn^{s} B Sebring for Blacksmiths Work to the Gaol....	£2: 7: 9

issued	Saml Dodge Junr for putting up the Names of Streets 6th Ward	£1:12: 6
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps	£55:17: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£56: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£56: 7:—

[208] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of March 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Theophilus Beekman
Wynant Van Zandt
Gabriel Furman
Andrew Van Tuyl
John Campbell
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Post
Mangle Minthorn
Jotham Post
George Janeway
Garret Harsen
} Assists

Resolved that as a Testimony of the high Sense this Board entertain of the public Services of Alexander Hamilton especially in the administration of the Office of Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, He be presented with the Freedom of this City.

On the application of John Crocheron Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine his Lot on the West side of Greenwich Street nearly opposite to Beaver Lane and to determine whether it will bear a Building of Stone or Brick.

A Petition of Menassah Salter for compensation for the loss of five feet from the side of his Lot the Corner of Broadway & Cortlandt agreable to the Regulation for widening the said last mentioned Street was read & referred to Aldn Stoutenburgh & Furman & Mr Janeway.

A Petition of Wm Furman & Theods Hunt to keep a Ferry from Catharine Slip was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Mr Minthorne & Mr J Post

[209] A Petition of Niel McKennon for exemption from paying towards repaving the lower End of Wall Street was read & rejected.

A Petition of Henry Verveelen to be appointed a City Surveyor was read & postpon'd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	George Janeway on Acct towards Repairs to the Goal..	£200:—:—
issued	Nathl Nott for repairs to the Pest House at Belle vue..	£10:15: 9
issued	Isaac Soutenburgh for the erection of a Fence at the Bridewell	£60: 8: 8

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23d day of March 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

John Campbell Gabriel Furman Nicholas Bayard Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Mangel Minthorne Garret Harsen George Janeway Frederick Stymets Jotham Post

Mr Van Gelder the Superintendant in the Lamp Department represented to the Board that the persons employed under him in the lighting of the Lamps had deteremined to quit the Service unless their Wages were considerably encreased. Whereupon it was Ordered that such of them as refuse to continue at the present Wages be discharged [210] and that Mr Van Gelder endeavor to engage others in their stead.

A Petition of Christopher Duyckinck to lease of the Common Lands was read & rejected.

A Petition of Catharine Lawrence for a further Grant of a Water Lot at Beekman's Slip was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of James Horner Maxwell setting forth that on the 21st March 1775 the Corporation under their Common Seal granted a certain Water Lot in the East River situate in the then East Ward of this City opposite to a dwelling House of the late Jacobus Van Zandt decd unto the said Jacobus Van Zandt in fee subject to certain Rents and Covenants on the part of the said Jacobus Van Zandt as by referring to the said Grant in the hands of the said Memorialist may appear. That since the Death of the said Jacobus Van Zandt the said Water Lot is vested by sundry Conveyances in the said Memorialist That all the Rents due thereon have been regularly paid. That the said Memorialist understands that the said Jacobus Van Zandt did not as was usual execute the counterpart of the said Grant And that the said Memorialist is willing if the Corporation should think it necessary & proper to surrender the present Grant upon Condition of receiving another for the same Lots in his own name & upon the same Terms in which case the Memorialist will sign the counterpart of such new Grant provided that by such surrender & new Grant no Expence be incurred by the said Memorialist. Whereupon it was ordered that

a new Grant to the said Memorialist be made [211] out on his paying the Clerk his usual Fees.

Ordered that Thomas Hazard be and he is hereby nominated & appointed a Commissioner of the Alms House & Bridewell vice Francis Bassett resigned.

Ordered that Richard Harison be permitted to make an Area & Vault in front of his House at the Corner of Broad Way & Barclay Street under the direction of the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward

On a suggestion that the Earth remaining to be dug out of Greenwich Street would be wanted to fill up certain low parts of the said Street Ordered that no Person do dig or carry away any Earth from any part of the said Street without Permission from this Board.

"An Ordinance for the digging out & filling in of Greenwich Street from Reade Street to the Gate at Anthony Lispenards Brew House" was then read & passed by the Board.

The Committee for small Change Notes reported that they had attended at the Treasurers & burn't to ashes the following defaced Notes. viz^{t}

6400	of 1^{d}	£26:13: 4
6800	2^{d}	56:13: 4
9400	3	117:10:—
22600		£200:16: 8

A Memorial of Henry Kip Isaac Van Vleck & Samuel Sidney Breese with proposals to settle & adjust boundary Lines between the Corporation & the Claimants of the Land commonly called the Negro's burying Ground in the Rear of the Alms House & Bridewell was read & referred to M^{r} Recorder & Ald^{n} Campbell & Stoutenburgh.

[212] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of March 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Theoph^{s} Beekman Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Andrew Van Tuyl John Campbell	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Jotham Post Fred. Stymets George Janeway Garret Harsen Anthony Post	Assist^{ts}

A Release of a parcel of Ground to continue Lumber Street to the Lot of W^{m} Edgar & thence into Greenwich Street by James Green-

leaf to this Corporation was read & ordered to be deposited in the Clerks Office.

A Petition from the proprietors of Lots in the upper part of the Broad Way for a Regulation, Of Medcef Eden for the like in River Street

And of the proprietors for the like in Lumber Street & Oister pasty Lane were respectively read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that permission be given to Abraham Coddington in Barclay Street & Moses Coddington in Chambers Street to make Area's to their respective Houses under the direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

Proposals of Amos Porter to supply the City with fresh Water.

And of Sayrs Crane to lead Water from the Tea Water Pump through Roosevelt Street were respectively read & referred to Aldn Furman Stoutenburgh & Beekman & Messrs J. Post & Janeway.

[213] Ordered that Aldn Van Tuyl & Campbell be added to the Committee on the Petition of Wm Furman & Theods Hunt to ferry from Cathn Slip to Brooklyn

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to view the Lots on the East River of James H Maxwell between Wall Street Slip & the Old Slip And of John Rogers on the East side of Beekman Slip & to determine whether they will bear foundations for Buildings of Stone &c

An Ordinance for extending the Pavemt of Catharine Street across Cherry Street to the Bulkhead of the Slip and the pavement of Cherry Street to the distance of twenty feet East of the Well near the Wool Card Manufactory was read & passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Rinier Skaats on Acct towards fire Wood for the Court Room	£12:—:—
issued	Abraham Van Gelder for lighting the City Lamps 1 Month	£56: 0: 6

[214] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 7th day of April 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assists
Andrew Van Tuyl		Fred. Stymets	
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Mangel Minthorn	
Nicholas Bayard		Nicholas Carmer	
John Campbell		Anthony Post	
Wynant Van Zandt		Jotham Post	

Pursuant to the Statute " for regulating Elections " the Board proceeded to the election of Inspectors of the ensuing Election in the several Wards for Governor, Lieutt Governor, Senators & Members of Assembly And the following Persons were duly elected vizt

1st Ward
Jacob Morton
John Remsen
Bernardus Swartwout

2d Ward
John Broome
Anthony L. Bleecker
John Oothout

3d Ward
Ezekiel Robins
Henry Rogers
John McVickar

4th Ward
Abijah Hammond
Jacob Abramse
James H Kip

5th Ward
Ebenezer S. Burling
Joseph Stringham
Thomas Lawrence

6th Ward
Anthony Lispenard
John P. Groshong
John Crolius Junr

7th Ward
Robert Boyd
John Goodwin
John Horn

[215] The Legislature having been pleased to grant the prayer of the Petition of this Board And to pass a Law authorizing this Board to set on foot a Lottery to raise the Sum of £10,000 to be applied towards the erection of a new Alms House in this City, The Board proceeded to the appointment of three Persons to manage the said Lottery under the Direction of this Board And Isaac Stoutenburgh, Peter T Curtenius and Abraham Herring were appointed accordgly

Ordered that the said Managers report a Scheme or Schemes of the said Lottery to this Board at the next Meeting.

A Petition of the Bakers for an alteration of the Assize of Bread in their favor was read and referred to the Treasurer to report on.

An Application of Henry Ten Brook for permission to dig out so much of Greenwich Street as to enable him to dig out his two Lots fronting on the said Street; was read and granted under the direction of the Chairman of the Street Committee and the Alderman & Assist[t] of the Ward.

A proposition of Benj[a] Taylor to convey Fresh Water throughout this City was read & referred to the Committee on the Petitions of Poter & Crane on the same Subject

Ordered that the Lamplighters be allowed at the rate of five pounds per month. And that the Watchmen be allowed four Shillings & sixpence per Night during the Summer Season.

A Petition of the Proprietors of Water Lots between White Hall & Coenties Slips for permission to run out Piers for Harbours for the trading Vessels.

And a Petition from the proprietors of Lots between Moore Street & the Exchange praying that the completion of the outer Street may be enforced; were respectively read and referred to the Street Committee.

[216] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

"The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of Africans black People Report that they have attended to the object of the said Petition and on enquiry find a Piece of Ground containing four Lots of 100 by 25 feet each which can be purchased for £450— said Lots lay in the seventh Ward near where the Mansion House of James Delancey stood. That in the Opinion of your Committee the above Piece of Ground is in a proper Place and that this Board should contribute £100 towards the purchase on condition that the said Lots be vested in the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in trust for a burying Ground for the black People.

April 7[th] 1795.

John Campbell
Mangle Minthorne
George Janeway.

A Release from James Striker, John Jones, Nicholas De Peyster, James W. De Peyster, John P. Waldron, Andrew M[c]Gowan, Samuel Kelly & Samuel Bradhurst to this Corporation of so much of their respective Lands as is required to continue the Bloomingdale Road through the same of the breadth of four Rods; was read and ordered to be proved deposited in the Clerks Office & recorded.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	The Commissioners of the Alms House and Bridewell on Acct	£1000:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for the City Watch	£56: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£56: 7:—

[217] Whereas the unlimited extension of this City into the East River, by making further Grants to the Proprietors of Water Lots hath long been conceived injurious if not ruinous to the internal and low parts of this City through want of the necessary Descent for carrying off the Water out of the Streets into the River And this Board judging that a Wide and spacious Street along the front of this City would tend very much to it's ornament convenience & safety, directed their Street Committee to cause a Survey & Chart of the front of this City along the East River with the line of such Street marked there on, to be made and reported to the Board And the said Committee having accordingly reported the said Chart with the Lines of the said Street which is to be of the Breadth of seventy feet and beyond which no further Grants into the River are to be made or any Buildings or Wharfs erected or made excepting such Piers as the Board from time to time shall hereafter deem necessary for the safety of Shipping & the convenience of Trade & Navigation And the Board having frequently had the said Chart with the Lines of the said Street run out and marked thereon, under consideration, did this day, after making some alterations as to the course of the Lines of the said Street agree to the same agreable to the following Description thereof vizt

[218] Beginning at a Point or Station in the River, opposite the East side of the White Hall Slip, 229 feet 6 Inches from the Corner of the South side of Water Street, Thence on a direct Line to a Point or Station, opposite the West side of Coenties Slip, 228 feet 6 Inches from the Corner at the South side of Water Street Then beginning at a point or Station, opposite the East side of Coenties Slip 160 feet from the Corner at the South side of front Street, Thence on a direct Line to a Point or Station opposite the western range of the Crane Wharf 331 feet 9 Inches from the Corner at the South side of Water Street. Thence on a direct Line to a Point or Station, opposite the western boundary Line of the Grant to Thomas Barnes, now belonging to Samuel Ackerly, 350 feet from the south side of Water Street Thence on a direct Line to a point or Station opposite the West side of Rutgers Slip 400 feet from the South side of Cherry Street And thence on a direct Line to a Station or Point at the East part of Cor-

laers Hook 160 feet perpendicular from the south side of Crown point Street at high Water Mark. Which said Lines is the inner side of the intended Street of 70 feet Wide*

[219] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of April 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman		Jotham Post	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Garret Harsen	
Wynant Van Zandt	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	
		Mangle Minthorn	

The Managers of the Alms House Lottery presented to the Board several Schemes which were examined and the following Scheme was approved & adopted by the Board

Scheme

			Dollars
18000	Tickets @ 10 Dollars each is		180,000
			Dollars
1	Prize.....of	10,000 Dollars.....	10,000
2	Do	5,000.....	10,000
2	Do	2,500.....	5,000
3	Do	2,000.....	6,000
5	Do	1,000.....	5,000
20	Do	500.....	10,000
30	Do	400.....	12,000
40	Do	200.....	8,000
80	Do	100.....	8,000
200	Do	50.....	10,000
4800	Do	20.....	96,000
5183	Prizes		180,000
12817	Blanks	Deduction fifteen per Cent raises	£10,800.
18000			

A Petition of the Inspectors of fire Wood for an encrease of Pay was read & referred to Aldn Furman & Messrs Janeway & Harsen

A Petition from the proprietors of Lots and the Inhabitants in the neighborhood of the new Bason at Thames Street, that the Street [220] may be filled up & put in order that some Lamps may be placed

* Marginal note reads *See this Regulation altered on the Minutes feby 10th 1796. See P. 341.*—ED.

there, was read & referred to Aldⁿ Stoutenburgh & Messʳˢ Stymets & J. Post

On reading an application of Samˡ Corp Ordered that he have permission to take up Pearl Street in order to lay a Drain from his House; under the Inspection of the Aldⁿ & Assist of the Ward.

A Petition of Esther & Isaac Gomez relative to the Grant of a Water Lot to Danˡ Gomez decᵈ situate between the Wall Street Slip & the Old Slip in which Case as in the Case of James H: Maxwell the counterpart of the Grant hath not been executed, was read And it was ordered the like as in the Case of Mr Maxwell on the 23ᵈ March last

A Petition for some Improvement on the Street leading to the ferry Stairs on the side of the fly Market was read & referred to the Aldⁿ & Assist of the Wᵈ & Aldⁿ Van Zandt.

Ordered that Aldⁿ Furman and Messʳˢ Minthorn & J Post be a Comᵗᵉᵉ to enquire into & report on a proposition of Thoˢ Ivers for the use of the Soil & Water reserved for a Bason at Corlaers Hook.

[221] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20ᵗʰ day of April 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqʳ Recorder

Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh Andrew Van Tuyl Theophˢ Beekman	Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ	Jotham Post Garret Harsen George Janeway Mangle Minthorn Frederick Stymets	Assistˢ

Mʳ Rickets having offered to the Board the Profits of an Evenings Exhibition at his Amphitheatre for the purpose of purchasing Fuel for poor families in the Winter Season, the Board accepted of the same & Mʳ Culbertson the High Constable & Mʳ Skaats the City Marshall with his Son were appointed to receive the Monies to be taken on the occasion

A Petition for an alteration in the regulation of Greenwich Street from Reade Street to Mʳ Lispenard; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On the Application of James Scott.

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed to view his Lot in the seventh

Ward on the East side of Catharine Slip and to determine whether it will bear a Building of Stone or Brick.

Ordered that the follow[g] persons be appointed Firemen Samuel Burling & Adam Mount to Engine N° 12 vice Ab[m] Polhemus & William Valleau resigned—Tho[s] Stagg to N° 14 vice W[m] Parsell resigned & John Pelletreau to Hook & Ladder Comp[y] N° 2 vice Nich[s] Mead removed for neglect of Duty

[222] Ordered that the Keeper of the Alms House make out an Acc[t] of all the Articles purchased & provided for the House from the 1[st] May last particularly specifying each Article the price & Amount thereof

The Treasurer reported on the Bakers Petition & Thereupon Ordered that the allowance of Ten Shillings on each hundred Weight of Flour for their Labour & Expence of Baking be encreased to twelve Shillings & Six pence

Ordered that John Holdran have a Lease of the Ferry from this City to Paulus Hook on a Rent of £250 per Annum, for one Year from 1[st] day of May next And Joseph Smith of the Ferry from this City to Hobooken for the like Term on a Rent of £95 per Ann[m]

It being represented to the Board that certain Persons had set fuyck Fences in the River below low Waters Mark on the south side of Paulus Hook on the Jersey Shore to the obstruction of drawing Seine's for the taking of Fish, Whereupon the following Ordinance was passed by the Board "A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within the limits and Jurisdiction of the City "of New York."

Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same that no Person shall set or place any Fence or Stake or any other Thing whatsoever, [223] in any part of the Rivers or Bays within the Limits and Jurisdiction of the said City, by which the Navigation of the said Rivers or Bays or the casting or drawing of Sein's or Netts for the taking of Fish may be interrupted or obstructed; And if any Person shall or do set or place any Fence or Stake or any other Thing whatsoever in any part of the said Rivers or Bays contrary to this Law such Person shall on conviction forfeit and pay as a fine for each Offence the Sum of Eight Pounds And further that it shall be lawful for any Person to take up and remove any such Fence or Stake or other Thing which may at any time be found set or placed contrary to this Law as aforesaid."

Ordered that William Sloo, who is employed by this Board to take

Fish for the use of the Alms House & Bridewell, do cause to be taken up and removed all such Fences or Stakes or other Things as may or shall be set in the River in manner aforesaid and which may or shall obstruct or interrupt him in casting or drawing his Seine as afd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Joseph Shelvey, Whipper for 1 Qr Services.....	£10:15:—
issued	Wynant Van Zandt for Repairs to the Dock Drudge....	£21: 3:10
issued	Isaac Stoutenbgh for Repairs to Battery.....	£17: 5: 3
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watch.....	£63: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£63: 7:—

[224] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of April 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assists
John Campbell		Jotham Post	
Wynant Van Zandt		Antho Post	
Gabriel Furman		Frederick Stymets	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		George Janeway	

The Committee for superintends the printing & cancelling the Notes issued for small change reported that they had attended at the Treasurers and burnt to ashes the following vizt

5500	of 1 penny.....	£22:18: 4
6000	of 2 pence.....	50:—:—
6000	of 3 pence.....	75:—:—
		147:18: 4
	part of a Sheet imperfect	3: 5
		£148: 1: 9

A Petition for the regulation of Barley Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Mr Skaats returned to the Board 340 Dollars collected at Mr Ricketts's Amphitheatre for the benefit of the [poor] and the same was ordered to be paid to the City Treasurer.

The Managers of the Alms House Lottery presented their respective Bonds for their faithful execution of the Trust which were read & ordered to be deposited in the Clerks Office.

A Petition for the clearing out of the Old Slip of the Mud & Filth, was [225] read; and it was ordered that it be done immediately on the Return of the Mud Drudge from New Jersey.

A Petition for the Regulation of George Street on Rutgers's Ground was read & referred to the Street Committee.

The Street Committee made a Report on the Regulation of Ridder Street as follows which was agreed to by the Board vizt "Descent from the Alley, alongside of Medcef Edens House, along Ridder Street 3 Inches on 10 feet to the new pavement in Fair Street; conformable to this it will require digging 1 foot at the end of 75 feet from the said Alley."

Ordered that Thomas Whytlaw be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 2 vice Wm Brown removed from the City.

And that Joseph Devoe be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood vice George Hutton removed from the City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Stewart & Jones for Sheet Lead for the City Hall.....	£4:—:—
issued	Jacob Harsen for Repairs to Roads.....	£19: 4: 6
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps.....	£60: 2: 3
issued	Wm J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests.....	£13:13:—
issued	John Keyser for a Sled to the fire Engine.....	£4: 4: 6

[226] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday May 4th 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assists
Nichs Bayard		Jotham Post	
Theophs Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Fred: Stymets	
Isaac Stoutenburgh			
John Campbell			

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined & audited the Commissioners Accts of the Alms House & Bridewell & found them right, amounting

The Alms House to.....	£2379: 3: 3
The Bridewell to.....	559:15: 1

An Estimate for the ensuing Qr was read & approved.

amounts	for the Alms House to.....	£2800:—:—
	for the Bridewell to.....	200:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for the payment thereof accordingly.

The follow[g] Report was read and agreed to by the Board viz[t]

"The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Leonard and others respecting the new Bason at the North River Report that the Piers at the End of the same are incompleat requiring several Boat [227] Loads of Stone—That the Bulkhead thereof requires to be raised at least one log higher. That a Pier ought to be built in the Center from the Bulkhead to the Mouth thereof; and that the Proprietors of the adjoining Lots be required to level the Piers."

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Fred: Stymets.

Ordered Ald[n] Furman & Mess[rs] Stymets & A: Post be a Committee to carry the said Report into execution.

An application from several Persons to have Stands in the Street at the Fly Market to vend Coffee &[c] was read & rejected

A Letter from Gerrit Van Rype Jun[r] Jacob Van Wagenen & Casparus Prier of Bergen to M[r] Mayor relative to the dispute with M[r] Sloo in pulling up the Fuyck Fences to clear the Fishing Ground at Paulus Hook; was read & referred to Ald[n] Stoutenburgh & Campbell & M[r] Stymets

Ordered that Peter M[c]Dougall have leave to take up the Street in front of his House to lay a private Drain from his Cellar.

Jeremiah Wood Assessor for the 5[th] W[d] appeared & took & subscribed the Oath of Office

Ordered that Hallet & Bowne be permitted to sink a Cistern in the Street in front of their new House at the Corner of Burlings Slip under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

The follow[g] Report of the Street Committee was read & agreed to by the Board "The Street Committee Report on the Petition of John B Coles & others Inhabitants of the first & second Wards.

[228] That in their Opinion it would be proper to admit the Proprietors of Water Lots between White Hall & Coenties Slip to make five Piers each 120 feet long & 40 in Breadth on the East side of the 70 feet or permanent Line as agreed to & laid down in a Survey of the East side of the City, to be made uniform each with two Piers or Blocks and two Bridges of equal Distances—The Corporation to receive the wharfage of the inside of all the public Slips. Agreable to the plan recommended by your Committee the Distance between the Piers that is proposed to be made between Coenties and the Exchange Slips will be 160 feet, the Exchange Slip will be widened to 100 feet and the

Piers between the White Hall & the Exchange Slips will be 110 feet apart.

Committee { Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, Theo^{s} Beekman, John Campbell, Garret Harsen, Andrew Van Tuyl, Mangle Minthorn

The following Bye Laws and Ordinances were then read and passed by the Board to be and continue in full force for one Year from this Day viz^{t}

[229] "A Law for the due observance of the Lords Day, called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the paving and keeping in Repair the Streets, and to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the landing & Sale of Hay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale and Cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of Wharfage"

[230] "A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York"

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within the Limits & Jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Danger from Horses going loose or at large in the Streets of the City of New York."

"A Law directing the Mode of Recovery of the Fines, Penalties and Forfeitures imposed by the Laws of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York"

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Wm Sloo for conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£10:15:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for his Company City Watchmen.....	63: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	63: 7:—
issued	Clerks of late Election for Govr &c.....	42: 8:—
issued	Robt Lenox for Lamp Oil.....	£472:12: 6
issued	Cotton Gelston for the like.....	£59: 1: 9

[231] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of May 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

John Campbell Isaac Stoutenburgh Gabriel Furman Andrew Van Tuyl Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Jotham Post Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen Frederick Stymets Anthony Post	Assistts

On the Application of Wm Hilliard.

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine his Lot situate between Moore Street & the Exchange Slip and to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick.

Ordered that John Shaw be permitted to take up Pearl Street for the purpose of laying a private Drain from his Cellar under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistant of the Ward.

Aldn Stoutenburgh informed the Board that he had been requested by Mr Frederick Rhinelander to obtain permission for him to dig

out so much of Greenwich Street as to enable him to come at & dig out two Lots, bounded on the East side of the said Street, belonging to Dr Kemp; which request was refused by the Board.

Aldn Beekman having purchased the Scale for weighing of Hay of Mr John De Peyster

Ordered that he be permitted to remove it to his Lot in Water Street on the East of James's Slip.

[232] "An Ordinance for paving Ridder Street was read & passed by the Board."

Ordered that the small Engine & House be removed from Gold Street to the neighborhood of the Hospital.

That a new House be erected in it's stead for the new Engine to be purchased by the Committee.

And that the Aldn & Assistt of 2d & 3d Wards take order for the erection of an Engine House in the neighborhood of that in Maiden Lane which is become unfit for use & must be removed from Mr Rutgers's Lot which is now disposed of

Ordered that the Proprietors of Water Lots between Beekmans Slip & Pecks Slip be required without delay to make the Street at the end of their respective Water Lots agreable to the Covenants contained in their respective Grants and that where the said Street is already made but obstructed by any Building or other Thing that such Obstruction be immediately removed out of the Street

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed Fire Men of this City vizt

Richard Beekman to No 13 vice Alexr Anderson resigned, And Isaac Horton vice John Lawrence resigned.

Hook & Ladder Compy No 1 Matthew Jarvis & James Oakley vice John Mildeberger & resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	John Stagg on Acct towards paving in front of the Alms House &c	£50:—:—
issued	David Williamson for Trees on the Battery	19: 5:—

[233] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of May 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Wynant Van Zandt
Gabriel Furman
Isaac Stoutenburgh } Esqrs Aldn
Andrew Van Tuyl
John Campbell

Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Frederick Stymets
George Janeway } Assistts
Anthony Post
Jotham Post

A Letter from Alexander Hamilton Esqr to Mr Mayor was read, setting forth, that he had received the Letter from Mr Mayor covering his Certificate of the Freedom of this City, that among the precious Testimonies he had received of the Approbation of his immediate fellow Citizens none was more acceptable or more flattering to him than that which he now acknowledged; And requesting Mr Mayor to convey to this Board the Expressions of his high Sense of the Honor they had done him (which he shall be happy on every opportunity of manifecting) as well as his sincere Respect for themselves.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistant of the 1st & the Assistt of the 2d Wards take order for the establishment of a Ferry to Govrs Island, that the Persons employed on the Works there be taken over gratis and that all other Persons pay six pence going & six pence returning.

Ordered that the Goal Committee cause the strong Room in the Bridewell to be more effectually secured.

[234] Ordered that James Arden have permission to make an Area & Vault in front of his House in the Broadway And that John J Glover have permission to take up so much of Pearl Street as may be necessary for leading a private Drain from his House to the Common Sewer, the whole to be done under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the respective Wards.

On the Application of James Watson for the appointment of five Persons to view his Lot on the East side of the old Slip & of Thomas Ellison for the like with respect to his Lot between Moore Street and the Exchange Slip and to determine whether they will bear foundations for Buildings of Stone or Brick.

Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman, John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed accordingly

Ordered that the said James Watson be permitted to lay and frame the Timber for his Store House, at the Old Slip, in the Street front-

ing the said Slip; And that no Indulgence of this kind be granted to any Person after the 1st Novr next

A Petition for the paving of Greenwich Street was read & referred to the Street Comtee

A Petition of Peter & George Lourilliard for a lease of the Ground on the North Et side of the Goal & in front of Tryon Row was read & rejected.

The Street Committee reported that Thomas Ludlow is erecting a House on the Corner of White Hall Street & Stone Street and that he has encroached two feet four Inches on Whitehall Street agreable to its Regulation.

Ordered that he be required to remove his Foundation back to the Line of the Street.

[235] Ordered that the Clerk report at the next Meeting of the Board a Plan for reforming the great Court Room in the City Hall so as to render it more comfortable and convenient for public Business with an Estimate of the Expence

Ordered that the Allowance to Rinier Skaats Doorkeeper & Messenger to this Board be encreased to Sixty Pounds per annum

Ordered that Aldn Stoutenburgh and Messrs J Post & Harsen be a Committee to revise the Fees of public Wharfage & Slippage in this City and to report such alteration therein as they shall judge reasonable & proper.

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots in Barley Street dig out & fill in the said Street conformable to such temporary Directions as shall be given by the Street Committee.

An Ordinance for paving Greenwich Street from Rector Street to the Battery was read & passed by the Board

Ordered that the Treasurer credit Wm Gardner on Acct of Rent in £10:4:2 for so much by him paid for paving in front of the Lot at the Corner of William and Thomas Streets.

Ordered that Teunis Van Pelt be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 1 vice Thomas Skaats resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn Furman on Acct towards a new Pier to the Bason at Thames Slip.....	£200:—:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Services & Sweeping Chimnies..	£15: 6:—

[236] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of June 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Wynant Van Zandt		Nichs Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Mangel Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Jotham Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Fred. Stymets	
Nicholas Bayard		George Janeway	
John Campbell			

Ordered that the Clerk with the advice of Aldn Furman & Mr J Post take order on the necessary Arrangements for celebrating the ensuing anniversary of the American Independence.

A Petition for the regulation of Hague Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Jacob Morton for a renewal of the Lease of the Common Lands at the Dove Tavern near the 5 Mile Stone was read & referred to the Land Committee.

A Petition for extending the Portico of the Theatre erecting on Chatham Row across the Foot Walk of the Street was read & rejected.

A Petition of Thomas Ludlow relative to the Encroachment made in the erection of his House on White Hall Street was read & it was determined that no Relief could be granted.

[237] Ordered that Henry White be permitted to correct the range of the front of his Lots on the West side of the Broadway by a strait Line to be drawn from the front of the House & Lot of George Knox to the front of the House & Lot of William Henderson.

Estimates & Assessments for the paving of Flecher Street & John Street were read & ratified by the Board And Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies & John Moore & John Cheesman to superintend the paving of Fletcher Street And David Burger & John Cheesman the paving of John Street

Ordered that Aaron White & John Targe be appointed fireman to Engine No 18 vice James Seaman & Alexr Masterton removed from the City.

Ordered that Theodosius Hunt & William Furman be licensed to keep a ferry from Catharine Slip to any part of Brooklyn for five Years to keep two large Boats & two small Boats & to pay into the Treasury four Pounds per month.

The Board being informed that Frederick Rhinelander had made & sunk Wharfs in the River North of Reade Street in such manner as in some measure to deprive the public of the use of the Bason reported by the Committee to be reserved in the Grant intended to be made to the Corporation [238] of Trinity Church of the Soil under Water Whereupon it was.

Ordered that the Corporation of Trinity Church & Frederick Rhinelander be informed that no Grant will be made to them of the Water Lots unless the Improvements making by Mr Rhinelander be conforming [to] the Regulation made by this Board

The Clerk having reported a Plan & Estimate for reforming the great Court Room in the City Hall. Messrs Carmer Stymets & Harsen were appointed a Committee to superintend & direct the Work.

Ordered that Thos Ivers be appointed to take the Charge & Possession, on behalf of this Board of the Soil & Water at Corlaers Hook, reserved for a public Bason—to permit Persons to use & occupy the same under his Direction and to demand & receive such pay for the use thereof as shall from time to time be agreed upon between him & such Occupant And that he be allowed the one half of the Monies which shall arise in the premisses for his Services—the Residue to be paid into the Treasury for the use of this Board.

Ordered that Thomas Campbell be appointed a Measurer of Lime on the East River.

[239] The Clerk presented to the Board a Release to Samuel Nicoll of parcel of the Common Lands described by Lots No 12, 13, 14, 15 23 & 24 containing twenty nine Acres, one Rood & twenty five Perches for the consideration of £933. which being read was approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had attended at the Treasurers & burnt to ashes the follows viz[t]

6500	of one penny	£27: 1: 8
5000	of two pence	41:13: 4
6600	of three pence	82:10:—
		£151: 5:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasury to pay

issued	Mr Mangel Minthorn towards the Lot of Ground purchase[d] for a burial place for the Black people	£100:—:—
issued	John Stagg towards paving in the Fields on Acct	£100:—:—
issued	Delves & Thompson for Lamp Oil	£791:12:—

issued	James Wing for the like.....	£66: 8:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	£63: 5: 8
issued	Benja Taylor for Surveys Services.....	£15:18:—
issued	Casimir Th: Gœrick for the like.....	£39:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£126:14:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£126:14:—

[240] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of June 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Nichs Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Frederick Stymets	
John Campbell		Mangel Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway	
		Jotham Post	
		Anthо Post	

A Petition of Israel Wood for a Grant of a Water Lot in front of his Lot at the Corner of Partition and Washington Streets was read & ordered to be referred to a Comtee But Mr Mayor suggested to the Board that he claimed the Right or preemption to the said Water Lot and therefore declined nominating the said Committee Whereupon the Board nominated Aldn Stoutenburgh, Furman & Beekman to enquire into & report on the subject of the said petition.

Another Petition from Mr Wood for the use of the Cellars under the Hudson Market House was read & referred to the same Committee.

On reading Petitions for the purpose Ordinances were passed for paving Warren Street and Church Street from Robinson Street to Chambers Street.

[241] The Committee on the Petition of Menassah Salter praying for a Compensation for so much of his Lot as hath by Law been taken to widen Cortlandt Street reported that the said Lot extended in Length down Cortlandt Street and was of the breadth of 25 feet on the Broad Way—that by the taking off five feet in breadth hath reduced the value
issued of the said Lot over and above the benefit accrued to the said Salter by the widening of the said Street And that the Committee were of Opinion that a Compensation of £119:14/ be paid to Mr Salter for the same; & Which Report was agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for the payment thereof accordingly

The Street Committee delivered in the follow[g] Reports which were respectively agreed to by the Board viz[t]

George Street 7[th] Ward

"The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Gill & others praying that George Street in the seventh Ward may be regulated report that beginning at the head of the said Street at the intersection of Division Street and thence to descend with two Inches & $\frac{8}{10}$ on every 10 feet to the intersection of Lombard Street will be a proper Regulation for digging out the said Street."

"The Street Committee recommend the follow[g] Regulation for Orange Street in the 6[th] Ward viz[t]

Orange S[t]

"Beginning at the present Kennel on the West side of Chatham Street and thence descending to the intersection of Mary Street with one Inch & $\frac{11}{100}$ on [242] every 10 feet to discharge the Water going down said Orange Street into the fresh Water Pond."

"The Street Committee report the following Regulation for Oister Pasty Street, part of Lumber Street & Edgar Street. viz[t] Beginning at the Kennel on the westerly side of the Broad Way & descending down the said Oister pasty Street to the intersection of Lumber Street with a descent of four Inches & $\frac{9}{10}$, on every 10 feet and thence southerly along the said Lumber Street to Edgar Street & along Edgar Street to Greenwich Street with a descent of five Inches on every 10 feet to the easterly Kennel of Greenwich Street"

"The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of W[m] Benford & others praying an alteration in the Regulation of that part of Greenwich Street from the intersection of Reade Street to opposite the Gate of Anthony Lispenard Report That in consideration of the great Expence necessary to carry the said Regulation into compleat execution, and that there is not a sufficient quantity of Earth in the said Street to compleat the filling in of the same agreable to the said Regulation your Committee recommend the follow[g]

Beginning at Reade Street and ascending with two Inches & an half on every 10 feet to Duane Street & from thence to ascend with one Inch & an half on every 10 feet to the distance of 120 feet—thence descending to Jay Street with one & an half Inch [243] on every 10 feet—thence to ascend with one & an half Inch on every 10 feet to the Distance of 120 feet—thence to descend to Harison Street with one & an half Inch on every 10 feet—thence to ascend the Distance of 120 feet with one & an half Inch on every 10 feet—And thence

to descend in like manner to Provoost Street And that the Earth removed as beforementioned be laid & levelled on the said Street northerly from Provoost Street to a station half way between Huybert & Vestry Streets under the Inspection of the Street Com^tee"

Ordered that the Corporation of Trinity Church be required to dig out Greenwich Street agreable to their Agreement with this Board and that with the Earth so to be removed they cause to be filled up & raised the low part of the said Street north of the Furnace agreable to the Regulation of the said Street.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Greenwich Street from Thames Street Swartwouts to Rector Street was ratified by the Board And Thomas Gilbert was appointed to collect the Monies & John Stagg to pave the said Street.

Ordered that M^r Recorder & Ald^n Van Zandt with Mess^rs Stymets, Carmer, A. Post, J. Post & Janeway be a Committee to report to the Board the necessary Steps to be taken on the Law passed at the last Sessions of the Legislature on the subject of Schools.

Ordered that an Election be held at the Bulls Head Tavern in the Bowery Division of [244] the 7^th Ward on Tuesday the 16^th Instant of an Assessor vice Robert Rutgers Jun^r who is gone to Sea.

Ordered that the Street Committee propose on behalf of this Board to treat with the Proprietors of the Lots required for opening Bancker Street into Queen Street and for widening Beaver Lane.

Ordered that Ab^m Corey be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 15 vice Sam^l Bell And Ab^m Chadwick to N° 8 vice David Van Derbeeck both removed from this City.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^t on the Treas^r to pay.

issued Francis Childs for print^g..... £19:19:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15^th day of June 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^r Recorder

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esq^rs Ald^n	Mangle Minthorn
Wynant Van Zandt		Garret Harsen
John Campbell		Anthony Post
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway
Theoph^s Beekman		Nicholas Carmer
Nich^s Bayard		
Andrew Van Tuyl		

A Petition of Sam^l Norden for a small Piece of the Common Lands was read and referred to the Road Committee.

On reading a petition of Thos Edghill

Ordered that he be permitted to erect a [245] small temporary Building, for the accommodation of his family during the pleasure of this Board, on the Common Lands near the five Mile Stone at such place as shall be assigned by the Assist of the 7th Wd

On reading an Application of John Stevens

Ordered that he be permitted to take up as much of the Street as may be necessary to lead a Drain from his Cellar to the common Sewer in Maiden Lane and to put the Street in good Order again under the Inspection of the Aldn and Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed Fire Men vizt

To Engine No 1 Anthony Brown. David Skaats John Brown heretofore appointed firemen. and Thomas J Campbell John T. Compbell —Henry Verveelen—John Rikeman—David Heckel—John P. Groshon & Anthony Steenbeck.

To Engine No 20 Wm Alburtis vice Michael Lowrie resigned

And to Engine No 17 George Buckmaster vice Archibald Kerly resigned.

Ordered that the Committee vizt Aldn Van Zandt & Messrs A. Post & Stymets purchase the new fire Engine of Mr Elsworth for the Engine House at Ebenr Youngs & the Engine there to be placed at the Methodist Church in the 7th Ward.

A Petition for a Well in Chatham Street north of Mulberry Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the same Committee direct the sinking of a Well at the public expence at the north end of the presbyterian Brick Church Yard.

Ordered that the Managers of the Alms Hs Lottery pay to the City Treasurer such Monies as they shall from time to time receive for Lottery Tickets & take his Receipt for the same.

[246] This Board having on the first Instant signified their Consent that Mr Henry White should correct the range of the front of his Lots on the West side of the Broad Way by a strait Line to be drawn from the front of the House & Lot of George Knox to the front of the House & Lot of Wm Henderson, in expectation that he would erect his Building on the said Line And it now appearing to the Board that he has not laid the foundation of his House conformable to the said Line.

Thereupon ordered that the said Consent of this Board of the first Instant be rescinded and that Mr White be required to remove his

said foundation to the old Line of the said Street and that the Ald[n] & Assist of the W[d] see that this order be complied with.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued John Goodeve for 1 Box Candles..... £4:19: 9

issued Rob[t] Valentine for erect[g] a new fire Engine House at Fly Market 25: 3:11

[247] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 17[th] day of June 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Esq[rs] Ald[n]: Isaac Stoutenburgh, Nicholas Bayard, Andrew Van Tuyl, Gabriel Furman, Theoph[s] Beekman, John Campbell

Assist[ts]: Mangle Minthorne, Garret Harsen, Jotham Post, Anthony Post, George Janeway

The Clerk presented to the Board the Return of the Election in the Bowery Division of the 7[th] Ward of an Assessor in the place of Robert Rutgers who is gone to Sea, from which it appears that W[m] Beekman Jun[r] was duly elected.

M[r] Beekman attending represented to the Board that his bad state of Health & bodily Weakness prevented his undertaking to execute the said Office & refused to take the Oaths prescribed by Law Whereupon a new Election of an Assessor in his stead was ordered to be held on Monday next.

On an application to the Board on behalf of M[r] White on the subject of the Order of the last Meeting relative to the front of his Lot on the West side of the Broad Way, The Board proceeded to reconsider the said Order And thereupon Determined that [248] on M[r] Augustus Van Cortlandt's entering into a Bond to this Corporation in the Penalty of £500, conditioned that whenever the proprietor of the adjoining Lot shall erect any Building thereon, that the whole front of such Building shall be erected on the said strait Line, the said foundation of M[r] Whites House may be permitted to remain in its present situation.

An application from Tho[s] Pearsall for a reform of part of Pearl Street opposite to John Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Wm Hamersly having produced a satisfactory Affidavit of the Loss of one Bucket, at the fire of Brockholst Livingstons House, it was ordered that he be paid sixteen Shillgs for the same And that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for the paymt thereof accordingly.

issued

[249] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d June 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Alda	Gerret Harsen	Assistts
Theophilus Beekman		Mangle Minthorne	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Jotham Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Frederick Stymets	
John Campbell		George Janeway	

The Clerk presented to the Board the Return of the Election in the Bowery Division of the 7th Wd of an Assessor in the Place of Wm Beekman Junr who refused to serve, from which it appeared that Samuel Delaplaine was duly elected Mr Delaplaine attended and, being of the People called Quakers, took and subscribed the Affirmation by Law prescribed & directed.

A Petition of John Fitzpatrick & others for a Regulation of Barley Street near the fresh Water Pond was read and referred to the Street Committee

The Committee on the Subject of the Ferry from this City to Govrs Island made a verbal Report on the Subject Whereupon it was ordered that it be referred to the Commissioners for directing the Public Works on Governors Island to make such Arrangement for the establishing of a safe & convenient Ferry from this City to the said Island as they shall judge [250] most proper And that the Keeper of the said Ferry be allowed to demand & receive from each Person (excepting such as shall be employed at the public Works and the Troops in garrison there) six pence for going & six pence for returning.

Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance for preventing Ferry to Paulus Hook being incommoded by Lime Boats in Cortlandt Slip.

On a suggestion that the Proprietors of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the White Hall Slip had counteracted the Regulation lately made by this Board of a permanent Line in front of the City on the East River.

Ordered that the Surveyors do forthwith make an accurate Survey of the North or inner Line of the 70 feet * Street on the East River

* Marginal note reads *South Street*.—Ed.

from the White Hall Slip to Coenties Slip shewing the actual Situation of the Wharfs & Buildings lately erected and what Encroachments if any have been made.

Ordered that Messrs Delafield & Ellison be required to remove such part of their respective Buildings as are not strictly conformable to the Line of the said Street; And that it be required of the Proprietors of the Water Lots to with-hold the [251] sinking of any of the Piers or Wharfs unless in the presence and with the approbation of the Street Committee

A Petition of Isaac Fortune & several others stiling themselves *free People of colour was read setting forth "that they are free People of Colour residing in the City of New York, that they have lately associated under the name of the African Society for the laudable Purposes of improving their Morals, by promoting a spirit of brotherly Love and a strict Regard to the Laws of the State and also with intent to procure a place for the erection of a building for divine worship and the interment of People of Colour. That the Corporation of the said City and the Corporation of Trinity Church and divers well disposed Individuals have been pleased to aid your Petitioners with Money to purchase Land for the abovementioned Purposes That two Lots of Land known by 232, 233 situate in the seventh Ward of the said City have been purchased with the said Money and with what your Petitioners have added of their own and a Deed hath been executed by Saml Delaplaine & his Wife to the Corporation of the said City for the said two Lots in trust for the purposes aforesaid which said Lots are bounded Easterly in front by first Street [252] westerly in the Rear by Lots belonging to the said Delaplaine Northerly by Lots belonging to Samuel Beebee & southerly partly by Lot No 234 and belonging to William Barr and partly by Land of said Samuel Delaplaine and contain together in width fifty feet front & Rear and two hundred feet in Depth. And that your Petitioners are not at present able to become incorporated as a religious Society agreably to a Law of the State, they are under the necessity, from the peculiarity of their Situation, to request the further humane Assistance of the Corporation" And therefore respectfully soliciting "that *that* the Corporation will be pleased to authorize Six of your Petitioners to wit Isaac Fortune Wm Hutson, Abraham Dickenson—John Hall, James Parker & Peter Francis, who are appointed by all your Petitioners, Managers of the Business of the

* Marginal note reads *Africans*.—ED.

said Association or Society, to improve & use the said Land for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned and to demand sue for receive & enjoy the Fees & Privileges usually taken & had by the Proprietors of burial Grounds in the said City and that in case of the Death or other removal of the said Managers, such [253] others as shall be chosen by the said Association may be so authorized And that whenever an Incorporation can be effected agreably to Law the said Land may be conveyed to the Trustees for the purposes aforesaid."

Whereupon it was resolved that this Board will comply with and grant the solicitation & request of the said Petitioners.

Ordered that the Treasr in his settlement with John Holdron for the last Years Rent of Paulus Hook Ferry make him the like abatement as the Year before last

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	James Hounam as Clerk to two late Elections of Assessor in the 7th Wd.....	£1:12:—
issued	John Stagg for paving in the Fields.....	£256: 0: 2

[254] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 26th June 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Isaac Stoutenburgh Wynant Van Zandt	Esqrs Alds
Frederick Stymets Garret Harsen Jotham Post Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer	Assists

A Bond from Augustus Van Cortlandt to this Corporation duly executed on the subject of Henry White's Foundation of his House, conformable to the determination of this Board of the 17th Instant, was presented to the Board approved & filed.

Ordered that Benja S Judah be permitted to lay the Timber intended for his Wharf, in White Hall Slip.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards the Reform making in the great Court Room.....	£150:—:—
issued	George Forman for printing.....	£1:16:—

[255] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday June 29th 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen
Wynant Van Zandt		Mangel Minthorn
Theophilus Beekman		George Janeway
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthony Post
Nicholas Bayard		Frederick Stymets
Andrew Van Tuyl		

A Petition for the Regulation of Cherry Street to Rutgers Street was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Ebenezer Stevens for permission to sink a Well in Water Street between Beekman Slip & Pecks Slip and also for the use of the Well boring Apparatus was read & granted under the inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward with the usual Allowance pr foot

A Petition of John Graham for permission to make a small Slip in the Wharf of the new Bason at Thames Street, to hawl his saw Logs up on the Wharf was read & rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps	£63: 9:—
issued	Isaac Mead for Carpenters Work & Materials on fire Engine Houses	24:16: 9

[256] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 1st day of July 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Jotham Post	Assists
Theophs Beekman		Mangel Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Nichs Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Garret Harsen	
Andrew Van Tuyl		George Janeway	
		Mr Stymets	

The Board having purst to the Statute entitled "An Act concerning Jurors for the Trial of Issues in the City of New York" finished the Business committed to them by the said State, delivered to the Clerk the Boxes containing the Names of the Persons quallified to serve as Jurors written on Slips of Paper as by the said Statute is required & directed

Ordered that Gideon Kimberley be appointed an additional Fire Man to Engine N° 21 And Ab^m Boudewine to same Engine (vice) Frederick Elsworth gone to sea.

[257] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of July 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh Wynant Van Zandt Gabriel Furman John Campbell Andrew Van Tuyl Nicholas Bayard	Esq^rs Ald^n	Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorn Frederick Stymets George Janeway	Assist^ts

The following Report of Mess^rs Goerick & Taylor two of the City Surveyors on the Subject of the supposed Encroachment* made by Mess^rs Delafield & Ellison; was read viz^t

" That they cannot with exactness at present ascertain the western Range of the seventy feet Street on the East River, as ordered and regulated by the Board, by reason of the great number of Obstructions, and the difficulty of fixing a Point in the River from whence it must be determined: The place where this Point will be found is docked out but not filled in. From the best Observations they can now make the quantity of encroachment at M^r Ellisons appears to be six feet six Inches & an half & at M^r Delafields three feet six Inches & an half."

Thereupon ordered that Mess^rs Delafield & Ellison be required to conform strictly to the Line of the said Street as established [258] by this Board under the Direction of the said Surveyors.

A Petition of W^m P. Smith & others for permission to use the great Court Room in the City Hall for M^r Elkanah Winchester to preach in was read & rejected.

A Release from Samuel Delaplaine & Wife to this Corporation of two Lots of Ground near where the old dwelling House of James Delancey stood in the 7th Ward in trust for the use of the black people as a burial Ground; was read & approved by the Board & ordered to be recorded & deposited among the Corporation Deeds.

An Estimate & Assessment for the paving of Robinson Street from Chappel Street to Greenwich Street was read & ratified by the Board And Tho^s Lafoy was appointed to collect the Monies thereon And John Stagg to pave the said Street.

* Marginal note reads *on South Street.*—ED.

Ordered that Benj[a] Ogden be appointed a fire Man to Engine N[o] 8 vice Anth[o] Brown removed to N[o] 1 And Augustus Wright & Sam[l] Kip additional fire Men to N[o] 21.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issued	Rinier Skaats for the Constables & Marshalls to celebrate the 4th Inst.....	£12:—:—
issued	And for the ringing of the Bells.....	7: 4:—

[259] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of July 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh Theoph[s] Beekman John Campbell Andrew Van Tuyl Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen Nich[s] Carmer Fredck Stymets George Janeway Mangel Minthorn	Assist[ts]

Pursuant to the Statute entitled "An Act for the more effectual collection of Taxes in the City & County of New York" the Board proceeded to examine compute & asscertain and thereupon did determine that by virtue of the Law passed the last Session of the Legislature entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York to order the raising Monies by Tax for the maintenance of the Poor & for defraying the other Expences in the City & County of New York" the Sum of £14000. be raised in the City & County of New York and the further Sum of £6000 within the City of New York South of the Line in the said Law described And that by virtue of another Law passed at the same Session of the Legislature entitled "An Act for the encouragement of Schools" the further Sum of £944. be raised in the said City [260] & County: And the Board did thereupon, from a comparison of the valuation of the Estates in the respective Wards contained in the Assessment Books or Lists, determine that of the whole amount of the three Sums above specified the following proportion be raised & paid by each Ward viz[t]

1st Ward	£2426: 2:11	2d W[d]	£5175:10: 5
3d D[o]	4960:12: 7½	4th	2341: 3:11
5th D[o]	2025:18: 7½	6th	1575: 6: 4
Bowery Div[n] 7th N[o] of Line	721:17: 5	Harlem	315: 1: 8
S[o] of D[o].....	1441: 0: 8	Total	£20982:14: 7

And having caused a computation what each pound of the said respective Sums ought to pay and caused the Sum to be paid by each Person to be inserted in the said List or Assessment opposite to his or her Name. the Warrants under their Hands & Seals for the collection thereof were ordered to be annexed as by Law is required & directed.

The follow[g] Report of the Street Committee for the Regulation of Rose Street was read & approved by the Board viz[t] Beginning at the Kennel on the Westerly side of Pearl Street & thence ascending 2 3/10 Inches on 10 feet to a Distance of 415 feet And thence descending 5½ Inches on 10 feet to a further Distance of 415 feet [261] to the Kennel in Franckfort Street In consequence it will require digging at the end of 45 feet from the highest Ground 2 feet 11 Inches At the End of 100 feet further 4 feet 1 Inch—At the end of 100 feet further 4 feet 8 Inches And at the end of 75 feet further 3 feet 3 Inches."

The following Report of the Street Committee was read & agreed to viz[t]

Regulation for Franckfort Street from Pearl Street to Jacob Street viz[t]

"From Pearl Street down Franckfort to the distance of 150 feet with a Descent of 9 1/10 Inches on 10 feet in consequence it will require digging at the end of 75 feet from Pearl Street 2 feet & at the end of 75 feet further it will remain as it now is. Thence with a Descent of 5¼ Inches on 10 feet to Jacob Street—in consequence it will require filling in at the intersection of Skinners Street 2 feet 8 Inches.

Regulation of Hague Street from Pearl Street to Franckfort Street

Descent from Pearl Street 6 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Skinner's Street in consequence it must be raised at the end of 75 feet from Pearl Street 1 foot 10 Inches & at the end of 75 feet further 4 feet 3 Inches and at Skinners Street 3 feet 7 Inches in order to have a Descent of 1 Inch on 10 feet to Franckfort Street. N: B: deviate from [262] the Descent of Hague Street at the end of 110 feet from Pearl Street, one foot below the above Regulation so as to curve it & meet the pavement in Skinner Street more easy."

The Street Committee reported that the prayer of the Petition of James Meyers & others for a Well in Chatham Street ought to be granted on the usual Terms; which was agreed to by the Board.

A Petition of Townsend Underhill was read setting forth *"that

* Marginal note reads *this is a perfect abstract.*—ED.

in Dec^{r} last he solicited of this Board a further Grant into the Water as far as the permanent Regulation, And understanding that it will be some time before this Board will be prepared to give out the Grants and he being desirous to build a Store on his Lot which in doing he will occupy about thirty feet more than his present Grant authorises," And therefore soliciting this Board for the necessary Permission to proceed in sinking a foundation on said thirty feet."

Ordered that the prayer of the said Petition be granted.

A Petition for digging out the Broad Way, north of Barley Street, agreable to it's regulation was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition from the Proprietors of Lots fronting the Hudson Bason for a preemption of the Water Lots was read & postponed.

[263] The following Report was read approved & adopted by the Board viz^{t}

"The Road Committee in obedience to the Order of this Board having caused a Survey to be made of the Bloomingdale Road do now lay the same before you and report their Proceedings in the Premisses.

That they have caused a Survey to be made of a continuation of the said Road from the place where the antient Road terminated at the Barn of Nich^{s} De Peyster which is the place where the dwelling House of Adrian Hooglandt formerly stood, continued in a northerly direction through and across the Lands of the said Nicholas De Peyster, William Molenaer, John Waldron, Andrew M^{c}Gown, John Meyer, Samuel Kelly and Samuel Broadhurst. That all the said Persons, except William Molenaer and John Meyer have released or are willing to release the said Road to this Corporation That your Committee have caused a particular Survey to be made of the Land to be taken for the said Road from the said Molenaer & Meyer and is as follows "from the north boundary of Nicholas De Peysters Land to the south Boundary of the Land of John Waldron as the said Road is laid out, is on a course of North 64°—15′ East across the Land of the said Molenaer 17 Chain, and one Chain in Breadth, containing One Acre, two Roods & thirty two Perches; [264] which Road is marked out by Stakes firmly set in the Ground in the presence and under the Direction of Your Committee. Your Committee have also laid out the said Road across the Land of the said John Meyer and runs from the north boundary of Andrew M^{c}Gowns Land to the south boundary of the Land of Samuel Kelly on a course of north 34°—15′ East Six Chains & 90 Links then north 51°—15′

East 15 Chains in all 21 Chains & 90 Links & of one Chain in Breadth And contains two Acres & thirty perches."

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Gabriel Furman
Mangle Minthorne
Garret Harsen
John Campbell
Andrew Van Tuyl
} Comtee

Ordinances for the following Purposes were then read & passed by the Board vizt

" For digging out & filling in George Street in the 7th Ward."

" The like with respect to Orange Street "

For paving the follows Streets vizt

Oister pasty Lane, Edgar Street, and Lumber Street from Rector Street to Egar Street."

" Chappel Street from Murray Street to Chambers Street "

" Franckfort Street (from Pearl Street to Jacob Street) Hague Street, Skinners Street & Rose Street."

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 7th Wd take order for repairing the Catharine Slip Ferry Stairs.

[265] Ordered that John Rankins be appointed a fireman to Engine No 10 vice John Hooghland resigned.

The Committee on the small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follows vizt

6900 of one penny	£28:15:—
6000 of two pence	50:—:—
6500 of three pence	81: 5:—
	160: 0:—
2 half Sheets imperfect	5:—
	£160: 5:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Jacob Harsen on Acct for Roads	£100:—:—
issued	George Janeway on Acct for Repairs to Bridewell	50:—:—
issued	Aldn Furman on Acct for the New Bason at Thames Street	200:—:—
issued	John Simmons for the Expences of Canvasss Assembly Votes & the celebration of the anniversary of our Independence	41:12: 6
issued	Col° Sabastian Bauman for the Expences of illuminating the Govt House & City Hall	25:—:—
issued	Andrew Wright for Jurors balloting Boxes	1: 4:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth for 2 fire Engines	190:—:—

[266] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th July 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Garret Harsen	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Frederick Stymets	

On the Application of Wm Nielson & Peter Schenck Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman, John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to view their respective Water Lots East of Coenties Slip & to determine whether they will bear Foundations for buildings of Stone or Brick.

A Petition against the immediate pavement of Cherry Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

Ordered that the several Persons who were appointed to superintend the cleaning of the Streets last year be reappointed to that Service for this Year.

Ordered that permission be given to sink a Well in Lumber Street where the Aldn & Assist of the Ward shall direct

Ordered that Charles Dickenson & Abm Russell be permitted to make Areas to their Houses in Broad Way.

[267] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Matthew Bolmer for forage for the Mud Drudge Horses	2:14: 8
issued	Cotton Gelston for Lamp Oil.....	347:15:10
issued	George Dominick for Plank for the Kissing Bridge.....	8: 2:—
issued	Sidney Phœnix for copying & & carrying out the poundage of the Tax Books.....	25: 5:—
issued	Aldn Furman on Acct towards the new Bason at Thames Slip	200:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of July 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Wynant Van Zandt		Nichs Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Jotham Post	
John Campbell		Fred. Stymets	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Anthos Post	
		George Janeway	

On the application of Tredwell Jackson Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be ap-

pointed to examine his Water Lot N° 4 on front Street & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick.

[268] An Estimate & Assessment for paving the foot Walks of Pearl Street from Rutgers Street to Chatham Street was read & ratified by the Board And John Cheesman was appointed to superintend the paving of the said Street And David Harriot to collect the Monies on the said Assessment

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Warren Street for the removal of part of a House which projects into the Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that George McKay be permitted to make rain Water Cisterns at the front of his Houses on Nassau Street under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist, of the Ward.

It appearing to the Board from a Report of the Managers of the Alms House Lottery that from the slow sale of the Tickets, the drawing cannot commence on the day assigned And it being conceived that the sales will be encouraged by the vending of Tickets on credit payable on the commencement of the drawing of the Lottery.

Whereupon resolved that the drawing of the said Lottery be postponed until the 2d Tuesday of february next to be peremptorily commenced on that Day And that the Managers be authorized to sell the Tickets & receive for payment endorsed Notes or Bonds with Surety such as they shall approve & payable on the commencement of the drawing of the Lottery as aforesaid.

[269] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Alexander Lamb for City Watch.....	£253: 8:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	253: 8:—
issued	the same for repairs Fly Market.....	0:16:—
issued	Wm Beekman for repairs to Pecks Slip Wharf.....	12: 2: 2
issued	Aldn W. Van Zandt for Repairs & Improvemts at Brooklyn for ballce of his Acct of £92:3:5.....	53: 3: 5
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	63: 8:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 3d day of Augt 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman, Wynant Van Zandt, Theophilus Beekman, John Campbell } Esqrs Aldn

Frederick Stymets, Garret Harsen, Nicholas Carmer, Jotham Post, George Janeway } Assistts

The Board having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Commissrs Accts & found them right vizt

Expenditures of the Alms House for the last Quarter.....	£2524:15:11¼
Of the Bridewell.....	316: 5: 7
An Estimate for the Alms House for the ensuing Quarter amounting to	£2200:—:—
And for the Bridewell.....	100:—:—

was agreed to by the Board a Warrt ordered to issue accordingly. issued

[270] Ordered that John Baptist & William Hunter be appointed Firemen to Engine No 2 vice Joel Post & John Brown resigned And Thomas Collard and Philip Lockwood additional Fire Men to the same Engine.

Ordered that Joseph Newton be permitted to lay a Drain across Greenwich Street & down Pollock Street to carry off the Water which comes from the upper Lots fronting Lumber Street.

An Application of George Lindsay to extend his Wharf farther into the River was rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Wm Sloo for the Constables & Marshalls for conveying Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£19:12: 6
issued	John Millidollar for 2 Buckets lost at the fire of Beekmans Stable	1: 8:—
issued	Aldn Furman on Acct towards the New Bason.....	£200:—:—

[271] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th Day of August 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor

Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Andrew Van Tuyl Theophilus Beekman John Campbell Nicholas Bayard & Isaac Stoutenburgh	Esqrs Aldn	Frederick Stymets George Janeway Anthony Post Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn & Garret Harsen	Assts

Several presentments having been found by the Grand Jury of the last Court of General Sessions of the peace against Nuisances in several Streets in the 2d 3d 5th & 6th Wards—The Board order that a Committee be appointed to consist of the following Gentleman Vizt Aldn Furman, W. Van Zandt, and Beekman and Mr Carmer, A. Post, Janeway, and Minthorn to Contract and agree for Scavengers to clean the Streets in such manner as they shall think proper &c. And the Board do further Order that the following persons be appointed to assist the Magestrates in the due execution of the Street Law, Vizt 1st Wd Thomas Ludlow, Carlile Pollock, James Stewart, John Van Dyck, William Muir, John Remsen, James Duffie, John Goodeve, John Sickles, Gerardus Smith Junior, [272] Edward Meeks, Bernardus Swartwout Junior, Joseph Newton and John Parkison—2d Ward, Garret Kettletas, Comfort Sands, Hugh Pollock, John Henry Joshua Waddington, Lewis Ogden, Anthony L. Bleecker, Joseph Griffiths, Robert Bruce, Gulian Verplanck, Peter T. Curtenious, Joseph Pearson, and John P. Pearss—3d Ward, Richard R. Lawrance, Wynant Van Zandt Junr John Ellis, Jeronimus Alstyne, John Mowatt, John Hone Willet Seaman Nicholas G. Carmer, Ezekiel Robins, Caleb Haviland, John Murray, Henry Rogers, William Willson, Samuel Talman, Selah Strong and Elijah Cock, 4th Ward, Jacob Abrams, Isaac Jones, John G. Glover, William J. Elsworth, George Stanton, Anthony Rutgers, Frederick Rhinelander, James L. Bogert, Andrew Hopper, and Ahasuerus Turk—5th Ward, John Post, for Water Street, John Buchanan for Cherry Street, Henry Riker for Pearl Street, Garret Abeel for James Street, John McClain for Oliver Street, John Day for Roosevelt Street, James Grant for Rutgers Street, Jonathan Connary for Chesnut Street, Ezekiel Bishop for Banker Street, Nathaniel Nott for Hague Street, Willett Cole Junior for Ferry Street, Daniel Hitchcock, for George Street, Cornelius C. Roosevelt, for Gold Street, David Harriot for Frankford Street,

James Tylee for Chatham Street, Thomas Ammerman for Vandewater Street, Jesse Wicks for Rose Street, William Rhinelander—for William Street, and John Fullam for Thomas Street, 7th Ward, Hezekiah Ivers, Francis Dominick, Martin Morrison, Samuel Delaplane, David Mitchelson, Joseph Fox, Thomas Drake, and Gilbert Pell.

[273] A Petition of David Ackerman & others for permission to sink a Well in the upper part of Greenwich Street was read and granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the 6th Wd

Ordered that Wm Ogden be appointed to superintend the paving of Fletcher Street in the Stead of John Moore & Jno Cheesman

On the Applications of Isaac Riley, Gulian Verplanck Exrs of Robt Cromline decd, & Dr Samuel Nicoll for the appointment of Persons to view their respective Water Lots, and to determine whether they will bear Foundations for Buildings of Stone &c Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman, John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed accordingly.

A Petition of Dr Samuel Nicoll requesting a Conferrence on the subject of the Blooming Dale Road as it respects the Common Lands by him lately purchased was read & referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of George Lindsay to sink an additional Block in front of his Water Lot on Hudsons River was read & granted under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

A Petition of John Taylor & others for leave to open & clear the Drain in Pearl Street was read & granted.

A Petition of Hugh Gaine for a Grant of the Soil under Water opposite his Lots fronting Hudsons River in the 6th Ward was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

[274] On the application of the City Surveyors

Ordered that all the Vessels at the Wharfs on the Hudsons River which obstruct the Surveyors in making the Genl Survey be removed until the Business be compleated.

A Request of James W Lent for the use of the Mud scow was granted.

The Street Committee reported the follows Regulations for the follows Streets; which were approved by the Board vizt

Fisher Street from the Kennel in the Bowery Lane to the northern Kennel in Division Street. Assent from the Bowery Road along Fisher Street to the distance of 280 feet 1½ Inch on 10 feet—thence

descent on 10 feet 1½ Inch to Division Street in consequence it will require to be dug at the distance of 327 feet from the Bowery Lane, being the Center of first Street 4 feet, And the proposed northern Kennel in Division Street will require to be dug down 2 feet 1 Inch below it's present Surface, from thence descending along Division Street to the Head of George Street, being 120 feet Distance, with 1½ Inch on 10 feet conformable to which the head of George Street will require digging out 3 feet 4 Inches.

George Street *from* conformable to the above Regulation from Division Street [275] to the extent of 500 feet beyond the South side of Cherry Street being the extent of the Grants. At the Head of George Street it must be dug out 3 feet 4 Inches thence descending down George Street to the extent of the Grants after raising at the extent of the Grants a Dock or Wall Plate 4 feet above common High Water Mark with 2 ⅛ Inches on 10 feet in consequence it will require digging at the intersection of Harman Street 6 feet 11 Inches —at the intersection of Henry Street 12 feet 3 Inches at the intersection of Bedlow Street 9 feet 2 Inches—at the intersection of Lombard Street it will require to be raised 5 Inches—at the intersection of Cheapside Street 2 feet 7 Inches—at the intersection of Cherry Street 8 feet 7½ Inches & above the top of the present Wall Plate of the Wharf on the South side of Cherry Street 11 feet 7 Inches.

Harman Street from Catharine Street to the proposed Kennel in George Street—Ascent to the distance of 514 feet 6 Inches, and descent to the distance of 214 feet 6 Inches with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the proposed Kennel in George Street—in consequence it will require digging at the distance of 229 feet from Catharine Street 8 feet 5 Inches —at the distance of 225 further 3 feet 7 Inches & at the intersection of George Street 6 feet 11 Inches.

[276] Cheapside Street—Ascent from the present Kennel in Catharine Street to the intersection of George Street 1 $^{97}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet; in consequence at the distance of 83 feet from Catharine Street it will remain as it is—from thence to the distance of 100 feet it will require digging 1 foot—thence to the distance of 100 further 2 feet—thence to the distance of 145 further 2 feet 7 Inches—thence to the distance of 100 feet further it must be raised 10 Inches & at the intersection of George Street 2 feet 7 Inches.

Ordered that a Survey & Regulation of Cherry Street be made & reported to the B^{d} without delay

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Frederick Stymets the further Sum of £200 on Acct towards the new Bason at Thames Slip.....	£200:—:—
issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct to the new Ct Room in the City Hall	£150:—:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Services & disbursements.....	£15: 4:—
issued	Gerard J Bancker for 4 Qr Cask of Gun Powder.....	£24:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£63: 7:—
issued	Wm Carver for Medicine for the public Horses.....	£0:16:—

[277] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th Augt 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Isaac Stoutenburgh Wynant Van Zandt Gabriel Furman John Campbell Andrew Van Tuyl Theophs Beekman Nichs Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorn George Janeway Frederick Stymets Anthony Post Nichs Carmer	Assists

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Greenwich Street from Rector Street to the Battery was read & ratified And Aert Huysman was appointed to collect the Monies & George Gosman to pave the said Street

The following Persons were appointed Fire Men to Engine No 2 whereof Benja North is foreman vizt

James Lord—Jesse Donaldson—John Smith, Francis J Dominick —Cornelius Mabey, George Lord, Matthias Carvey James Thomas— Edmund Brown Junr

A Petition of James Donaldson for a further Grant into the North River in front of his Lot was read & the consideration postpond

The Street Committee reported the follows Regulations for Cherry Street, part of Water [278] Street & Crown Point Street as a temporary Regulation to make a good & passable Road to Corlaers Hook And also a Regulation for Lombard Street which were approved by the Board.

Regulation of Cherry Street from Catharine Street to the center of Washington Street—thence southerly to Water Street—thence along Water Street to Crown Point Street—and thence along Crown Point Street to the eastern Bounds of Mr Ivers's Ground

Ascent from Catharine Street to the Distance of 375 feet 1½ Inch

on 10 feet to George Street in consequence it will require raising 4 Inches at the distance of 150 feet from Catharine Street—thence at the distance of 100 feet further 2 feet 3 Inches. At the distance of 75 feet further it will remain as it is. At the intersection of George Street it will require raising 2 feet.

From George Street to Charlotte Street Ascent to the distance of 313 feet and descent to the distance of 273 feet 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Charlotte Street—in consequence it will require raising 2 feet 7 Inches at the distance of 90 feet from George Street—at the distance of 150 feet further 7 feet—at the distance of 150 feet further 6 feet 9 Inches & at the intersection of Charlotte Street it will remain as it is.

From Charlotte to Rutgers Street. Ascent to the distance of 315 feet & descent to the same distance 1½ Inch on 10 feet—in consequence it will require to be raised at the distance of 190 feet from the center of Charlotte Street [279] 2 feet 6 Inches—thence at the distance *at the distance* of 125 feet further 1 foot 5 Inches (being the highest Ground) and at the center of Rutgers Street 4 feet 9 Inches.

From Rutgers to Washington Street Ascent to a distance 212 feet 6 Inches and descent to the same distance with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the center of Washington Street—in consequence it will require raising at the distance of 150 feet from the center of Rutgers Street 7 feet and at the intersection of Washington Street 7 feet 8 Inches.

From the intersection of Washington & Cherry Streets to the intersection of Clinton & Water Streets.

Ascent to a Distance of 340 feet and descent to a distance of 90 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Clinton Street—in consequence it will require raising at the distance of 160 feet from the center of Washington Street 2 feet—at the distance of 100 feet further 3 Inches & at the intersection of Clinton Street & Water Street it will require digging 6 feet

From Clinton Street to a Street lately laid out by Henry Rutgers & Stephen M^{c}Crea

Ascent from Clinton Street to the said Street 5 7/10 Inches on 10 feet—in consequence the said new Street will require digging out 15 feet.

From the said new Street to Montgomery Street Ascent to a distance of 92 feet and descent to a distance of 212 feet with 1½ Inches on 10 feet to Montgomery Street—in consequence Montgomery Street will require digging 4 feet

[280] Crown Point Street from Montgomery Street to Scammel Street.

Descent 1 9/10 Inch on 10 feet—in consequence at the distance of 220 feet from the center of Montgomery Street it will require raising 1 foot 11 Inches. thence at the distance of 200 feet further 7 feet 4 Inches and at the intersection of Scammel Street 2 feet From Scammel Street ascent 5 Inches on 10 feet to the eastern Boundary Line of Ivers's Ground being 110 feet from the center of Scammel Street so as to meet the present Situation of the remaining part of Crown Pt Street

Lombard Street

Ascent from Catharine Street to the proposed Kennel in George Street 1½ Inch on 10 feet—in consequence it will require filling 6 Inches at the distance of 210 feet from Catharine Street—thence at the distance of 100 feet further it will require digging 1 foot 8 Inches —at the distance of 125 feet further 2 feet 6 Inches & at the intersection of George Street to be raised 5 Inches.

Ordinances were then passed " for digging out & filling in Cherry Street from Catharine Street to Washington Street Thence to the Intersection of Water Street & Clinton Street. And Water Street from Clinton Street to Montgomery Street and thence along Crown point Street to Mr Ivers's Ground.

For digging out & filling in Fisher Street from the Bowery Lane to the Corner of first & Division Street—Harman Street from Catharine Street to George Street And George Street from Division Street to Cherry Street."

[281] And for digging out filling in and paving of Lombard & Cheapside Streets And Division Street from Catharine Street to George Street.

A Petition of Philip Webbers to dig Clay on the Common Lands for the use of the Potters was read & rejected.

The Committee on the small Change Notes reported that they had cancelled & burnt to ashes the follows viz[t]

5000 of one penny each	£20:16: 8
7000 of two pence	58: 6: 8
7000 of three pence	87:10:10
	£166:13: 4

The Board then proceeded [to] the consideration of a Law "more effectually to prevent Nuisances & for cleansing the Streets in the City of New York" and the same being read by Paragraphs was agreed to & ordered to be published.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	James Meyer towds a new Well in Chatham Street.....	£10: 8:—
issued	Benja Taylor one of the City Surveyors.....	£26:16:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£126:14:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£63: 7:—

[282] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 8th day of Septr 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
John Campbell		George Janeway	
Theophs Beekman		Frederick Stymets	
Wynant Van Zandt		Mangle Minthorn	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Nicholas Carmer	
Andrew Van Tuyl			
Nichs Bayard			

William Brown 16/6 Sexton of St Pauls Church admitted & sworn a Freeman of this City

Pursuant to the Statute, the Board proceeded to appoint a place in each Ward and Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Charter Officers & the following Places & Persons were appointed for the respective Wards vizt

1st Ward.....	Trinity Church	Jacob Morton
2d Do	City Hall	Thomas Barrow
3d Do	North Church	John Young
4th Do	St Pauls Church.....	George Lindsay
5th Do	Friends Meeting Hs.....	William Newton
6th Do	Alms House	John Crolius Junr
7th Do	Richd Varians	Peter Elting.

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Van Tuyl & Messrs Harsen Carmer & Minthorn be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers to examine & audit his Books & Accts

A Petition against the immediate paving of Cheapside Street was read & rejected.

A Petition of Henry A Dormand & others agt the laying of Manure on the vacant Ground in the Rear of the Alms House was read & [283] Thereupon Ordered that no Person shall deposit any Dirt or Manure on any of those Grounds on pain of prosecution.

On the application of Townsend Underhill

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine his Water Lot & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Brick or Stone.

A Petition for digging out Mott Street was read & referred to the Street Com^tee

Ordered that each of the Constables & Marshalls who superintended the execution of the Street Law be allowed £10 for their Services the last Year & that such Fines as they may have received be appropriated to their respective own use & further that the Treas^r repay to John Ackerman such Monies as he received for Fines & paid into the Treasury.

Ordered that Isaac Selover be appointed a Measurer of Grain.

Ordered that the Ald^n & Assist^s of the 2^d & 3^d Wards be a Committee to take order for improving & repairing the Gutters & Kennels at the Fly Market so as to prevent the collection of Dirt & Filth.

The Treasurer reported to the Board a List of Accounts standing open in his Books ag^t divers persons & which produce no Revenue & are deemed irrecoverable And submitted to the Board the propriety of transferring them to Acc^t of the City of New York, And the Board having examined the said List the Acc^ts standing open ag^t the following Persons were ordered to be transferred as aforesaid viz^t

[284] Moses Wallis	Gozen Ryerss
Thomas Quigly	Jeremiah Stone
Charles Wiessenfels	John Miller
Abijah Palmer	W^m Grinding

And ag^t the follow^g viz^t Roosevelt. Street—John Street And Belle Vue Hospital

Whereas complaints have been made of great Damage being done by Goats going at large, to the Trees & Shrubs as well in private Gardens as in the Places set apart as public Walks for the Inhabitants Therefore be it ordained that it shall not be lawful for any Goats to go at large in any part of this City And that all Goats at any time found going at large in this City shall be thereby forfeited to and become the property of any Person who shall sieze & take such Goats And further that it shall be lawful for any Person or Persons who shall find any Goats going at large or trespassing in any place in this City to kill or destroy or seize & take & appropriate such Goat to his or their own use.

M^r Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from His Excellency the Governor of the 6^th Instant on the subject of the *Proclamation issued by the Governor of Pennsilvania, suspending all Intercourse between this City & Philadelphia And the said Letter together with a Report made to his Excellency on the 5^th Instant by the Medical

* Marginal note reads *on account of Malignant Fever.*—ED.

Society in this City And also a Report made to his Excellency by the Health Committee in this City on this day [285] were respectively read & duly considered And thereupon resolved that Mr Mayor be requested to inform his Excellency the Governor, in Answer to his Letter, that this Board do verily believe that the Facts contained in the said respective Reports are, according to the best Information this Board have been able from time to time to obtain, correct and true; And further that from the Information of the individual Members of this Board, it is the Opinion of this Board that a much greater Degree of general Health prevails in this City at present than is usual at this Season of the Year.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Frederick Stymets on Acct towards the New Bason at Thames's Slip	£400:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch	63: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	63: 7:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lamp lighters	63:14:—
issued	The same for the ballce of his annual Acct as Superintendt Lamp Departmt	81: 8:11
issued	Isaac Terboss towards a new Well in Lumber Street	6:16:—
issued	John Macrell for the like at the Corner of Charlotte & Henry Streets	15: 8:—
issued	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads	142: 9: 4
issued	John Keyser Junr for a platform to a Well	2:13:—
issued	John Mowat for fire Bucket	0:18: 6
issued	Benja North for a new fire Engine House No 22	24: 4:—
issued	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps	28:16: 4
issued	Lazalier & Williamson for Iron Work to Do	2:15:—
issued	[286] Wm J Elsworth for the ballce of his annual Acct in the fire Departmt	118: 8: 1
issued	Wm Hardenbrook for making & mending Lamps	47: 9: 9

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Septr 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	Mangel Minthorn	Assistts
Isaac Stoutenburgh		Nicholas Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen	
Wynant Van Zandt		George Janeway	
John Campbell		Frederick Stymets	
Theophs Beekman			
Nichs Bayard			

Ordered that Robert Carter be appointed Inspector of the ensuing Election in the third Ward in the stead of John Young who declines serving.

The Street Committee reported the follow[g] Regulation for Colden Street; which was agreed to by the Board viz[t]

"Beginning at the Kennel on the northerly side of Chatham Street & from thence ascending with one & an half Inch on 10 feet to the distance of 105 feet, & thence descending with one & an half Inch on 10 feet to Augustus Street, then beginning on the westerly side of Augustus Street and descending nine Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of George Street. Agreable to the above Regulation it will require to be lowered at the distance of 105 from Chatham Street [287] five feet five Inches. At the intersection of Augustus Street on the East side five feet and on the west side four feet five Inches. At the distance of 50 feet farther three feet nine Inches. At the distance of 65 feet further one foot three Inches And at the intersection of George Street to be raised 11 feet 8 Inches."

Petitions from Carlisle Pollock & William M[c]Kenny for additional Grants of Water Lots into Hudsons River was read & postpon'd

On reading a Petition from the Neighborhood ordered that a Regulation be made of Beaver Lane.

A Letter subscribed by Leonard Bleecker George Warner & Thomas Storm, a Committee on the part of a number of Citizens who have associated & formed themselves into a Society for the purpose of aiding & assisting the Magistrates in the due execution of the Law against the profanation of the Lords Day was read And thereupon Resolved that this Board do consider the object contemplated by the said Society as highly laudable & praiseworthy.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Harmen Street was read & ratified by the Board & Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies & John Foot, John Battenburgh & Daniel Raveau to dig out & fill in the said Street.

An Ordinance for paving Bancker Street from Roosevelt Street to Catharine Street was read & passed by the Board

[288] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issued	W[m] Sloo for taking Fish for the use of the Alms House & Bridewell	£20:—:—
	George Bunker for Lamp Oil	£9:12: 6
	William Williams for Repairs to the Wharf at Pecks Slip	£11:19: 6
	James Wood for Repairs Lamps	£26: 9: 2

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of Septr 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn: Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman, John Campbell, Andrew Van Tuyl

Assists: Nicholas Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, Garret Harsen, Anthony Post

Francis Roach, Taylor—36/6
Joshua Crane, Carpenter 36/6 } were admitted & sworn Free Men of this City

Ordered that the Law "for the suppression of Immorality" And the Ordinance "for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday" be republished in the public News Papers.

Ordered that the Committee on the Repairs to Gt Court Room take order for the more effectual prevention of the leaking of the Roof of the City Hall.

Ordered that the Treasurer settle with & pay Brockholst Livingston the arrears of Rent due on the Lease of Belle Vue Hospital.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay [289] William Mollinaer the Sum of fifty two Pounds And John Meyer the Sum of twenty seven Pounds for the Sums assessed by the Jury at the last Mayors Court as Recompence & Damages for their respective Lands taken to continue the Blooming Dale Road

issued

issued	Garret Harsen for the Expences attending the Committee & Jurors on the View of the said Land.....	£18:16:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£63: 7:—
issued	Frederick Stymets on Acct towards the New Bason at Thames Slip	100:—:—

City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 29th day of Septr 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn: Isaac Stoutenburgh, Gabriel Furman, Andrew Van Tuyl, John Campbell, Wynant Van Zandt, Theophs Beekman

Assists: Garret Harsen, Nicholas Carmer, George Janeway, Anthony Post, Frederick Stymets, Mangel Minthorne

The following Report was read & approved by the Board vizt

"We the Subscribers appointed a Committee to examine the Books of the City Treasurer Do report that there has been received since the last Settlement from the Commissioners for building the Bridge at

Brunswick one hundred and eighty five Pounds 12/ for the use of the Dock Machine—from Mr Rickets [290] for the amount of a benefit Night for the Poor, One hundred & thirty five Pounds 12/4 From the Corporation Revenue & Tickets issued for small Change eight Thousand four hundred & fifty two Pounds 2/4 Which several Sums with the ballance of two thousand nine hundred & ninety one Pounds 2/7 due on settlement last Year makes the Sum of eleven thousand seven hundred & sixty four Pounds 9/3½ And that there has been paid out to the Order of Common Council Six thousand five hundred & seventeen Pounds 14/3 which leaves a Ballance to the City of New York from the Revenue account of five thousand two hundred & forty six Pounds fifteen Shillings.

New York Septr 24th 1795

Gabriel Furman
Garret Harsen
Andrew Van Tuyl } Comtee
Nicholas Carmer
Mangle Minthorn

The Board then proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix was unanimously appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor then nominated & appointed James Culbertson to the Office of High Constable of this City for the ensuing Year

Ordered that the proprietors of the Lots, between *Rhinelanders & Lispenards Brewery be permitted [to] sink a Well in such part of the Street as the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward shall assign

Ordered that Aldn Campbell & Messrs Janeway & Carmer be a Committee for the erection of a new Stable at the Alms House for the public Horses.

[291] Ordered that the enclosed Ground, commonly called the Bowling Green, in front of the Govt House be appropriated to the use of the Gove[r]nor for the time being; And that Mr Mayor be requested to communicate it to his Excellency

	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasury to pay the Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied to the Relief of families become distressed & necessitous by reason of the present epidemic Fever in this City	£100:—:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lightg Lamps	£63: 9:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the City Watch	£63: 7:—
issued	David Ackerman towards a new Well in Greenwich Street near Lispenards	£5:—:—

*Marginal note reads *in Greenwich St*—Ed.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday Oct[r] 6[th] 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Theoph[s] Beekman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Anthony Post	Assist[ts]
Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer	
Wynant Van Zandt		Garret Harsen	
Isaac Stoutenburgh		George Janeway	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Frederick Stymets	

M[r] Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from the Mayor of Philadelphia, which was read, in the Words following viz[t]

" Sir

Two Years have not elapsed since a Correspondence took place between us on a Subject [292] the most distressing ever known to Americans. The dreadful Calamity with which our City was then visited alarmed the United States from one extreme to the other. We became the Objects of the Benevolence of many of our Neighbours and we recollect with the most lively Gratitude the part which the City of New York took in our Affliction and the generous Assistance we received from them. We lament that you are now suffering under a similar Visitation, and we feel the most poignant Distress for your calamitous Situation

Under the influence of these Sensations the Sum of seven thousand Dollars hath been collected among my fellow Citizens which I have the pleasure of forwarding to you at their Desire, in the enclosed Draft on the Bank of New York, requesting that you will be pleased to cause it to be applied to the use of the Poor and distressed of your City.

May a gracious Providence continue the favorable Change which appears already to have taken place and shortly put a period to your Sufferings by restoring your Citizens to that happy State of Hea[l]th which they have been accustomed to enjoy.

With Sentiments of personal regard & Esteem

I am Sir Your most

Obed[t] hum[ble] Serv[t]

Matth: Clarkson

Philadelphia Oct[r] 3[d] 1795

Richard Varick Esquire

Mayor of the City of New York

[293] Ordered that the Money mentioned in the said Letter be lodged in the Treasury and disposed of by order of this Board as by the said Letter is requested; And that Mr Mayor be requested to answer the said Letter on behalf of this Board.

Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Office of Loan Officers Evert Bancker one of the Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes & Accounts by him & Cornelius Ray taken & kept as Loan Officers And this Board having carefully inspected & examined the said Books Minutes & Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty in manner as by the said Law is directed & required.

Debtr

The City and County of New York in Account with the Loan Officers under the Law passed the 18th April 1786 &c.....Cr

1795			£ Interest	Prinl	1795		
Augt	24th	To Loan Officers Salary detained.....	80:0:0		Septr 17th	By Balance remaining on Loan principal	
August 24th & Septr 19th		To Cash paid the Treasurer in full for Interest and principal ℔ Receipt in two payments	665:4:0	1754:0:0		.....0: 0: 0	14704: 0: 0
			735:4:0	1754:0:0	1795		
	do	By Balance principal remains on Loan...	.....	12950:0:0	June 16th	By Sundry persons for Interest 1 Yr on the above...	735:4:0 0:0:0
				14704:0:0			

New York the 19th September 1795
Errors Excepted. Evert Bancker.
Loan Officer

Debt

1795 Treasury of the State of New York in Acct with the New Loan Officers of the City & County of New York under the Law passed 14th March 1792

June 22d		To Loan Officers Salary 1 Year.....	£80: 0:0	1795		£
	Do	To Cash paid the Treasurer in full.....	1081:10:0	May 5th	By Int due on £19300 for 1 Yr at 6 ℔ Ct.....	1158: 0: 0
			£1161:10:0		By Int received over and above on Mortgage N 94 £100 for 7 months being pd off and put out again 7th Octr 94.....	3:10: 0
						1161:10: 0

New York the 22d June 1795
Errors excepted

Evert Bancker } Loan Officers

[294] The Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City laid before the Board his annual Acc[t] of the Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax; which were examined with their respective Vouchers by the Mayor & Aldermen and found right & agreable to the Statute certified accordingly

The Committee for small change Notes reported that they had cancelled & burn't to ashes the following viz[t]

6000 of one penny	£25:—:—
7700 of two pence	64: 3: 4
10,400 of three pence	130:—:—
Total	£219: 3: 4

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Elections held on the 29[th] Ult[o] in the several Wards for Charter Officers from which it appears that the follow[g] Persons were elected viz[t]

1[st] Ward	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Frederick Stymets	Assistant
	John Nitchie, Thomas Storm	Assessors
	Aert Huysman	Collector
	Joshua Crane, Francis Roche	Constables
2[d] Ward	Robert Lenox	Alderman
	Garret Harsen	Assist
	John P Pearss, Edmund Seaman	Assessors
	William Gilbert	Collector
	Barn't Newkerck, Benjamin M[c]Dowel	Constables
3[d] Ward	Andrew Van Tuyl	Ald[n]
	Nicholas Carmer	Assist
	James Hunt, John Newkerck	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Charles Handasyde, Samuel Stockwell	Constables
4[th] Ward	[295] Cornelius C Roosevelt	Alderman
	Anthony Post	Assistant
	John Houseman, Daniel Bowie	Assessors
	Thomas Lafoy	Collector
	John Reins, John Ackerman	Constables

	Theophilus Beekman	Aldn
	Jotham Post	Assist
5th Ward	Thomas Hazard, Leonard Fisher	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	John Fleming, Francis Currie	Constables
	John Campbell	Aldn
	George Janeway	Assist
6th Ward	John Crolius Junr, Anthony Brown	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	William Campbell, Robert Berwick	Constables
	Nicholas Bayard	Aldn
	Mangle Minthorn	Assist
	James Striker, John Goodwin	Assessors
7th Ward	Richard Furman (Bowery Division)	Collector
	John Dietz, Francis White	Constables
	John Sickels, Bernard Bower	Assessors
	John Bussing (Harlem Division)	Collector
	George Wier, John France	Constables

Ordered that the aforegoing Officers elect be notified to attend on the 14th Inst at 11 OClock in the forenoon to take the Oaths prescribed by Law & the Charter of this City.

Ordered that the paving of Rose, Hague Skinner & Franckfort Street's be suspended 'till the further order of this Board

[296] On a representation of the Fire Men. Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared for the Regulation of the Tea Water Men in order that they may be compelled to assist in supplying the Engines with Water in case of Fire.

A considerable part of the Bridewell being necessarily occupied as an Alms House; Ordered that Aldn Van Tuyl & Beekman & Mr Janeway be a Committee to inspect such part of the Goal as by Law is reserved for the use of this Board & report whether any & what part can be assigned for the confinement of Vagrants.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Rinier Skaats on Acct towards the purchasing of fire Wood for the City Hall	£60:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watch	£63: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£63: 7:—
issued	The Clerks of the late Election	£5:12:—
issued	Joseph Shelvey public Whipper	£6: 5:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of Octr 1795

Present/ Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Wynant Van Zandt Isaac Stoutenburgh John Campbell Theophs Beekman Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Garret Harsen Frederick Stymets Anthony Post	Assistts

[297] The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Israel Wood, Praying a Grant of Land, under the Water of Hudsons River in front of his Lot at the South side of and adjoining Partition Street Report

That the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York by a Deed under the Common Seal of the said City and bearing date on the fourteenth day of October 1743 did Grant to Derick Dey his heirs and Assigns. all that certain piece or parcel of Ground and Water Lot situate and being in the Rear of his Ground which lies on the West side of the Broad Way in the West Ward of the said City. extending in length from the said Broadway to highwater Mark of Hudsons River. and containing in breadth in front and Rear Three hundred and eight feet six Inches. being Bounded to the Southward by the Ground of the heirs of Andries Teller & Abraham Mesier. and on the Northward by the King's Farm. and Contiguous thereto next to Hudsons River. Containing in breadth from the Kings Farm aforesaid three hundred and eight feet six Inches. and in length from the Rear of his said Ground to Low Water mark into Hudsons River aforesaid. and from thence to extend into Hudsons River aforesaid Two hundred feet English measure. All which piece and parcel of Ground and Water Lot is in Breadth at each end three hundred and eight feet six Inches english measure. Subject to the Payment of the Annual Rent of £5:2:10. the first Payment to be made on the 25th

March 1745. That the said Dirck Dey by his Deed bearing date the 2d Decr 1743 did Grant and Convey to Jacobus Roosevelt and Christopher Bancker both now decd the Southerly part of the same Land, to wit. One hundred and twenty feet in breadth and to extend from the Rear of his Ground [298] at high Water mark into Hudson's River as far as the right of the said Dirck Dey by Virtue of his Grant aforesaid did extend Subject to the Payment to the Corporation of £2 Per Annum of the Annual Rent aforesaid of £5:2:10

That the said Dirck Dey being seized of the residue of that Water Lot made his last Will and Testament in due form of Law bearing date on the fourth day of August 1761 and therein and thereby devised that Water Lot being part of his residuary real estate to his Son Theunis Dey and his Daughters Jane the Wife of John Varick and Ann now Ann McAdam. and Mary now Mary Shaw in fee Simple in equal parts Share and Share alike.

That a part of the same Water Lot of Land so granted to the said Dirck Dey, to wit. on the Northerly side thereof and adjoining Partition Street was filled in and made into a Wharf in the life time of the said Dirck Dey. and that after his decease, to wit, on the first day of May 1765. the Devisees aforesaid caused the Ground so made into a Wharf and filled in to be Surveyed and laid into sixteen Lotts by Francis Marschalk now deceased. then one of the Sworn Surveyors of the said City, and by Deeds of Partition bearing date on the 31st day of August 1765 divided the same Lotts between them. That upon such Division the Lot of Ground adjoining Partition Street the whole or part of which is now owned or Claimed by the said Israel Wood. fell to the share and was among others released by the other Devisees to the said Ann McAdam. And the residue of said Water Lot remained undivided. That the said Ann McAdam being the Widow of William McAdam late of the same City Merchant, deceased, by certain Indenture of Lease and release. bearing date on the first and second days of [299] April 1784 did Convey to John Van Alen then of the same City Cartman. the Lot of Ground last mentioned except and always reserving to the said Ann McAdam her heirs and Assigns the Water right in front of the said Lot

That the said John Varick and Jane his Wife. and Ann McAdam and Mary Shaw. then being the Widow of David Shaw decd in and by their certain Indenture or Deed bearing Date on the 4th day of July 1786. did Convey their three undivided fourth parts of the said Water Lot so devised to them except the Lots surveyed and laid out by the said Francis Marschalk aforesaid together with the right of Applica-

tion to the Corporation of said City for a further Grant of the Land under the Water. between Dey Slip and Partition Street. to Richard Varick the present Mayor of the said City in Fee Simple. That the said Theunis Dey by his certain Indenture or Deed bearing date on the Sixth day of July 1786. did also Convey his undivided fourth part of the Premises last mentioned to the said Richard Varick in Fee Simple

That in the Year 1786. the said Richard Varick extended the Wharf several feet into Hudson's River upon a line with the Wharf of the Corporation adjoining thereto. and that in Consequence thereof the front of the several Lots so as aforesaid Surveyed and laid out into Lots were Continued to a line drawn from the South West Corner of the house of William Williams on the North east side of Partition Street to the Northwest corner of the Dwelling house of John Bonsall situate on the Southwest side of Dey Slip

And that the said Richard Varick and Maria his Wife by their certain Indentures of Lease and Release bearing date on the first and second days of August 1787. did Convey to the said John Van Alen the Ground which lay between the [300] former front of the Lot so conveyed to him by the said Ann M^{c}Adam and the line so drawn from the house of William Williams to the house of the said John Bonsall. That in the last mentioned Release it is expressly covenanted and agreed between the said Richard Varick and the said John Van Alen that that Indenture shall not be deemed to grant or convey to the said John Van Alen his heirs or Assigns the right of having and receiving any manner of Wharfage crainage or other profit which May at any time hereafter accrue or arise from any part of the Wharf or Dock in front of the premises hereby conveyed or the right of application to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City. for a Grant of any Land under the Water of the Hudson's River in front of the same premises But that the same shall be and remain to the use of the said Richard Varick his heirs and Assigns forever.

Your Committee are therefore of Opinion that the right of Pre-emption to a grant of the said Water in front of the aforesaid Premises is now vested in Richard Varick Esq^{r} the present Mayor of this City. and therefore the Prayer of the Petition of the said Israel Wood cannot be granted

Respectfully submitted.

Isaac Stoutenburgh
Theo^{s} Beekman
Gabriel Furman

Whereupon Ordered that the Prayer of the said Petition of the said Israel Woods be rejected.

A Request of Dr Samuel Nicolls to remove certain Rocks in front of his Land which obstruct the blooming Dale Road was read & granted provided it be done at his Expence & the Road put in good Order again.

[301] On reading a Petition of Henry White. Ordered that he be permitted to make an Area & Vault in front of his House in the Broad Way under the Inspection of the Aldn & Asstt of the Ward

A Petition of Richard Varick Esqr for a further Grant of the Soil under the Water in Hudsons River on the South side of Partition Street was read & referred to Aldn Furman & Beekman & Mr A Post

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Casimir Th: Gœrick for surveys Streets.....	£55:16:—
issued	Benja Taylor for the like.....	£14:16:—
issued	Taylor & McCollester for carts fire Buckets.....	£1: 8:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 14th day of Octr 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Frederick Stymets	Assistts
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Nicholas Carmer	
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Anthony Post	
Theophilus Beekman		George Janeway	
John Campbell			
Nicholas Bayard			

His Excellency the Governor by and with the advice & Consent *of the Consent* of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esqr to the [302] Offices of Mayor, Water Bailif & Clerk of the Markets, of this City and William J Elsworth Coroner of this City And also to appoint Jacob John Lansing Sherif of this City for the Year ensuing, Mr Mayor attended by the Aldermen proceeded to the Govt House & before his Excellency the Governor, & in presence of the Aldermen took the Oaths prescribed in and by the Charter of this City; and being returned to the City Hall the Commissions of the Mayor, Sherif & Coroner were read & published with the usual Solemnities.

Mr Mayor then administered to the Alderman & Assistants above

named respectively And to the following Officers respectively the Oaths prescribed to be by them respectively taken viz[t]

Jacob John Lansing Sherif
Daniel Phœnix Treas[r] or Chamb[n] } who respectively produced Bonds for the due execution of their respective Offices

		James Culbertson high Constable	
		Joshua Crane	
Assessors	John Nitchie	Francis Roche	Constables
	Thomas Storm	Barn't Newkerk	
	John P. Pearss	Charles Handasyde	
	Edmund Seaman	Samuel Stockwell	
	John Houseman	John Reins	
	Daniel Bowie	John Ackerman	
	Thomas Hazard	John Fleming	
	Leonard Fisher	Francis Currie	
	John Crolius Jun[r]	William Campbell	
	Anthony Brown	Robert Berwick	
	James Striker	John Deitz	
	John Sickels	Francis White	
	Barnard Bower	George Wier	
		John France	

[303] Ordered that Ald[n] Furman, Lenox, Van Tuyl, Beekman & Campbell & Mess[rs] Harsen & Minthorn be the standing Committee for Streets & Roads.

Ald[n] Roosevelt & Mess[rs] Harsen & Carmer the standing Committee of Accounts. And Ald[n] Bayard & Roosevelt & Mess[rs] Stymets J Post & Janeway the standing Committee for Lamps.

Ordered that the Ald[n] newly elected take the place of their Predecessors on all special Committees.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19[th] day of Oct[r] 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Nicholas Carmer	Assist[ts]
Theoph[s] Beekman		Garret Harsen	
Robert Lenox		Anthony Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		George Janeway	
Cornelius C Roosevelt			
John Campbell			

James Hunt an Assessor for the 3[d] Ward appeared & took the Oath prescribed by the Charter.

A Petition of Eleanor Bennet complaining of her indigence & praying Aid of this Board in the Expence of digging out Harman

Street in front of her Lot leased of Col° Rutgers, was read & rejected.

On reading a Representation of the Sherif respecting the Goal Ordered that the two Watchmen usually placed there go on Duty at Sunset every Day & that the Board will [304] determine on a reasonable extra pay

In consequence of the Indisposition of James Culbertson the Board do approve that his Son collect the Market Fees & that his Assistant have the Charge of the City Watch in his stead until the further Order of the Board.

The Committee appointed to examine the Goal & to report whether there were any Rooms proper for the confinement of Vagrants reported that some of the Rooms on the ground Floor might be fitted up for the purpose.

Ordered that the same Committee take Order for the purpose & also for the necessary Repairs to the Goal.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Chappel Street from Murray to Chambers Street was read & ratified by the Board And Jacobus Verveelen was appointed to collect the Monies & Arthur Smith to pave the said Street.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treas^r to pay.

issued	Peter King towards the Relief of his indigent family...	£6:—:—
issued	Nich^s Carmer on Acc^t towards a new Stable at the Alms House	£50:—:—
issued	John Delameter for cleaning Streets.....	£1:16:—
issued	Alex^r Lamb for the City Watch.....	£63: 7:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£63: 7:—

[305] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of October 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^r Recorder

Theoph^s Beekman Nich^s Bayard Andrew Van Tuyl John Campbell Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox.	Esq^rs Ald^n	Nich^s Carmer Garret Harsen Mangel Minthorne George Janeway Anthony Post	Assist^ts

M^r Mangle Minthorn Assistant or Common Council for the 7th Ward appeared & took the Oath prescribed by the Charter.

Ordered that Frederick Rhinelander be permitted to dig out Harison Street from Greenwich Street to the River, under the Direction of the Ald^n & Assist of the Ward.

On reading an Application of the Committee for preventing the spreading of infectious Disorders in this City

Ordered that an advance be made to them (out of the Revenue fund to be charged to the State of New York) of £300 to defray the Expences of Belle Vue Hospital. And (out of the Monies lately transmitted by the Mayor of Philadelphia) £200 to be applied to the Relief of Persons become necessitous in consequence of the Epidemic Fever with which this City hath for some time been visited. And that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts accordingly.

issued

[306] Ordered that Messrs Stagg & Gosman be required to compleat the pavement of Greenwich [Street] to the Fence at the Battery. And that they at the public expence compleat the paving of the South side of the Street between Kennedy's House & the Battery & that as far as may be necessary they alter the pavement of that Street so as to make it meet the pavement of Greenwich Street.

A Petition of Hugh Gaine for a Grant of the Soil in Hudsons River in front of certain Lots by him lately purchased of the Corporation of Trinity Church; was read & postponed.

A Petition of John Young & others for a new Regulation of Gold Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a Petition of Charles Dickenson & Abm Russell Ordered that they be permitted to make Vaults under the Street in front of their respective Houses in the Broad Way under the Inspection of the Aldn & Asstt of the Ward.

A Petition of Haines & Thompson for permission to erect Stairs at the White Hall Slip for the accommodation of the Staten Island & Elizth Town Boats was read & referred to the Aldn of the 1st & the Aldn & Asstt of the 2d Wards.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Beekman & Mr Harsen be a Committee to enquire into the State of the public Wharfage in this City & to report such Reform therein with respect to the quantum of & manner of collecting the Wharfage.

By reason of the great sickness in this City and the absence of many of the Inhabitants the collection of Monies, on the Tax for supporting the Poor & other contingencies, has not been equal to the Sums required for defraying the current Expences.

Therefore ordered that the Treasurer negociate a loan of the Bank of New York [307] for the Sum of 3000 Dollars until such time as

the Collectors shall be enabled to collect Monies on the present Tax for repaying the same.

Ordered that Elections be held *in* on Thursday the 5th Novr next in the first Ward of an Assistant in the place of *Mr Frederick Stymets decd in the 2d Ward of a Constable in the place of Benjamin McDowl a non Resident And in the 3d Ward of an Assessor in the place of John Newkerk who is neither a Free Man of this City, or a Freeholder in the Ward.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Garret Harsen for the Expences of taking the Census & making a Return of Persons qualified to serve as Jurors in the 2d 3d 4th & 5th Wards.....	£158: 4:—
issued	The same for Repairs to Coenties Slip & Wharf.....	22: 6:—
issued	Richd Hays for removing Filth from the Fly Market..	1: 1:—
issued	Benjs Ogden for repairs to the Street.....	1: 9: 9
issued	William J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests.....	34: 6: 6
issued	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps.....	49:14: 3
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps.....	63:19:—
issued	Samuel Loudon for printing.....	26: 9: 8
issued	George Bunce & Co for the like.....	8: 5: 6
issued	Cornes B Sebring for an Iron Pump brake.....	1:14:—
issued	Lazalier & Williamson for Iron Work to Pumps.....	8: 5: 7½
issued	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to pumps.....	60: 8: 8

[307]† City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 2d day of Novr 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen
Robert Lenox		Nichs Carmer
Andrew Van Tuyl		Mangle Minthorn
Nichs Bayard		George Janeway
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post
Cornes C Roosevelt		Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members being returned from visiting the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Books & Accounts of the Commissioners of the Alms & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them just & right viz.

Those of the Alms House amounts to.....	£2395: 1: 3
of the Bridewell.....	377: 3: 8

* Marginal note reads *of prevailing Malignant Fever.*—Ed.
† Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

An Estimate of the said Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved by the Board vizt

For the Alms House	£2200:—:—
For the Bridewell	100:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for the payment thereof accordingly.

It being conceived necessary, in order that the eastern part of the City should be *be* better guarded at Night.

Ordered that four Men be added to the number of City Watchmen.

[308] Ordered that Mr Thos Hazard keeper of the Goal of this City employ two competent Men to guard the Goal and that this Board will provide for the payment of them not exceedg three Shillings & six pence each pr Night

Ordered that Mr Harsen be appointed to the Committee on small Change Notes in the place of Mr Stymets deceased.

Ordered that the said Committee direct the printing of a further emission of the said Notes to the amount of £600.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Wm Sloo for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell	£17: 7: 6
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£63: 7:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	63: 7:—
issued	Garret Harsen for the Expences in *taken* [taking] the Census & List of Jurors in the 6th Wd	48:—:—
issued	Marinus Willet late Sherif for his Fees in summonsg Jurors to assess the value of the Lands taken from John Meyer & Mr Mollinaer to continue the blooming Dale Road	5: 1:—
issued	Jonas Pearssee late Goaler for subsisting criminal Prisoners from Octr 1794 to Novr 1795 inclusive	374: 2: 6
issued	Jacob Harsen on Acct towards Repairs to the public Roads	£100:—:—
issued	Dr Nicoll for repairs to the middle Road by Agreemt with the Board	10:—:—

[309] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of Novr 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox John Campbell Gabriel Furman Andrew Van Tuyl Cornes C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer Thomas Storm Anthony Post	Assistts

The Poll Lists of the Elections held in the first Ward of an Assistant in the place of *Frederick Stymets decd & in the 2d Ward of a Constable in the place of Benjamin McDowl were returned to the Board & read from which it appears that Thomas Storm was duly elected an Assistant for the first Ward & Lewis Harrington Constable for the second Ward And they took the Oaths prescribed by the Charter accordingly.

The Street Committee reported that they had viewed that part of Pearl Street complained of And are of Opinion that it will be necessary to take up the Pavement from Van De Water Street to the South or East side of the Gutter that crosses the Street opposite the House late of John Woods that to effect this Object an Assessment ought to be made. [310] and an Ordinance passed for the purpose without delay—which Report was agreed to by the Board and an Ordinance was passed accordingly.

The Street Committee reported on the Petition of John Young & others the following new Regulation of Gold Street And recommended a Suspension of the execution of it until the Proprietors raise their respective Lots sufficiently high to carry the Water into the Street which was agreed to by the Board vizt

Regulation of Gold Street from John Street to Maiden Lane

Descent from John Street down Gold Street to a distance of 130 feet with 9 & $^{8}\frac{1}{100}$ Inches on 10 feet—thence descending to a distance of 123 feet further with 5 $\frac{3}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet—thence descending with 2 & $^{6}\frac{9}{100}$ Inches on 10 feet to the Kennel in Maiden Lane. In consequence it will at the said distance of 130 feet remain as it now is—At the said distance of 123 feet (opposite Merchells Gate or Cart Way) it will require filling 2 feet thence at the Distance of 102 feet further it will require filling 1 foot and so 'till it terminates in the Kennel of Maiden Lane.

* Marginal note reads *of the prevailing Malignant Fever.*—Ed.

An application of James W Lent for the appointment of five Persons, according to the Law for regulating Buildings, to view his Water Lot on which he intends to erect a Store House was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the 2d & the Assist of the 1st Wd

[311] Ordered that Aldn Roosevelt & Messrs A Post & Janeway be a Comtee for making the necessary Repairs to the Corporation wharf at Hudsons River.

Ordered that a Bond be prepared to be executed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board for the 3000 Dollars borrowed of the Bank of New York pursuant to the Order of the 26th Ulto for defraying the public Expences of this City until the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected.

Ordered that Aldn Furman Lenox & Van Tuyl & Messrs Minthorne & Janeway be the Land Committee of this Board.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 1st & the Aldn of the 2d Ward be a Comtee to view a certain Encroachment said to be made by Carlisle Pollock on Rector Street & report their Opinion to the Board.

It being represented to the Board that a certain Alley or Gang Way or Passage leading from Water Street to Front Street between the Land of Thomas Brown decd & the Land of Peter Mesier, is become a great & dangerous Nuisance as well as it respects the Health of the Inhabits as the safety of the City against Fire.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assists of the 2d & 3d Wards be a Committee to view the State & Condition of the said Passage & report the same to the Board.

Mr Mayor signified to the Board his intention of purchasing about twenty Acres of the Common Lands [312] (situate on the North side of the Land on which the House commonly called the Dove Tavern near the five Mile stone) whenever the Board shall be disposed to sell those Lands.

Ordered that the said Application be referred to the Land Committee.

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter which he had received and which was read in the Words following vizt

Philada 6th November 1795

Sir/

The Inhabitants of Southwark, (Philadelphia) have regarded the Sufferings of their fellow Citizens in New York with sympathetic Concern; and the more especially as they themselves have but recently suffered a similar Calamity. With the most lively emotions of Joy,

they hear of the restoration of Health to the Inhabitants of your City; But they are sensible, that the Condition of the Poor in your City must at this time be peculiarly calamitous; and they think it an important Duty to assist any fellow Citizen in distress. Under these Impressions they have collected the Sum of five hundred & five Dollars & 25 Cents; which they have directed me to transmit to you, Sir, for the use of the indigent Sufferers in your City from the late malignant Fever.

I am, Sir, with Respect
Your most obedient Servt
Abraham Gurlin

Richard Varick Esqr
Mayor of New York.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to answer the said Letter And that the said Monies be lodged in the Treasury to be disposed of by order of this Board for the purposes mentioned in the said Letter

[313] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	The Commissioners of the Alms House (out of the Monies lately transmitted by the Mayor of Phila) to be applied towards the Relief of such Persons as are become indigent & distressed by reason of the late malignant Fever in this City.....	£400:—:—
issued	Aldn Furman on Acct towards the New Bason at Thames Street	£200:—:—
issued	Garret Harsen on Acct towards the Repairs to the City Hall	£250:—:—
issued	Daniel Ten Eyck for Iron Work to Coenties Wharf....	£7:19: 6
issued	Garret Harsen for the Expences of taken[ing] the Census & List of Persons qualified to serve as Jurors 1st Wd	£27: 4:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of Novr 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Alds	Garret Harsen	Assists
John Campbell		Anthony Post	
Corns C Roosevelt		Mangle Minthorne	
Nicholas Bayard		Nicholas Carmer	
Robert Lenox		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman			

George J Warner Watchmaker admitted & sworn a Free Man.

The Poll List of the Election lately held in the 3d Ward of an

Assessor in the place of John Newkerck was presented to the Board from which it appears that [314] Daniel Dunscomb Junr is duly elected And he took the Oath prescribed by the Charter of this City accordingly.

An application from the Health Committee for an advance of 1000 Dollars to defray the Expences of Belle vue Hospital was read

Thereupon ordered that a further advance be made to them (out of the Revenue fund to be charged to the State of New York) of £400 to defray the Expences of Bellevue Hospital and that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for the payment thereof accordingly

issued

An Acct of Isaac Stoutenburgh Esqr (late Chairman of the Committee for purchasing Materials for the erection of a new Alms House) of the expenditure of part of the Monies put into his Hands; was presented to the Board and referred to the Committee of Accts

The Committee on the Petition of James W Lent read on the 9th Instant reported that Mr Lent intends to erect his Building over the Water on Piles and to fill in the Lot at a future Day.

Whereupon the Board determined that as the Lot is not new made Ground agreable to the Words of the Law the said Petition cannot be complied with.

The Committee appointed to view the Passage or Gang Way leading from Water Street to Front Street between the Lots of Thomas Brown decd & Peter Mesier reported that the complaint made against the said Passage or Gang Way is well founded; And the Board determined that the Evil [315] ought to be remedied by a rigid enforcement of the Law for preventing Nuisances in this City.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed Fire Men in this City vizt

Robert Johnson to Engine No 17

Robert De Bow to Hook & Ladder Company No 1 vice George Cleland resigned

And James Shotwell to the same Company vice John Striker removed from this City.

Ordered that the Clerk do without delay cause an alphabetical List to be made of the Lists of Persons qualified to serve as Jurors with their additions & the Street & Ward in which they respectively reside And also of the Fire Men of this City with the dates of their respective Appointments.

The Committee on the Petition of Hains & Thompson for a Ferry Stairs at White Hall reported "that proposals had been made by

Persons interested in the Passage Boats from Staten Island & Elizth Town, to erect a Pier at the South East point of the Battery for a landing Place, and to erect a Bridge to extend from the said Pier along the Battery on the West side of Whitehall Slip to the Street in front of the Slip, as a Passage to and from the said landing place."

The Board taking the same into consideration were of Opinion that it would be improper to order or consent to the erection of any Wharf or other Building on the West side of Whitehall Slip lest it might be construed to interfere with the Reservation in the Charter respecting the Soil in the River round the Battery & the Appropriation, [316] And it was further determined by the Board that a convenient Stairs ought to have been made in the Wharf or Pier on the East side of the said Slip opposite to front Street as a landing Place for the passage Boats above mentioned.

And it was ordered that the same Committee take order for the making of a Stairs in the body of the Wharf on the East side of that Slip and to be forever kept up & maintained in good Order at the Expence of the Grantee or his Assigns of the Lot adjoining to the Slip and that a Clause to that effect be inserted in the Grant for that Lot whenever the same shall be prepared.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Evert Bancker for Surveying Streets.....		£46:12:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch.....		63: 7:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary.....	£15:—:—	
	Disbursemts.....	1: 6: 6	
			16: 6: 6
issued	Aldn Furman for the Cryer of the 1st Wd notifyg Inhabts to clean Streets.....		£4:—:—
issued	Alsop & Hicks for Whale Oil.....		£44: 5: 6

[317] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Novr 23d 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistt
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorne	
Theophs Beekman		Nichs Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	
		Thomas Storm	
		Jotham Post	

Mr Jotham Post Assistant for the 5th Ward attended & took the Oath prescribed by the Charter of this City.

Ordered that an Election be held in the first Ward on Tuesday the 8th Decr next of an Assessor in the place of Thomas Storm elected an Assistant for the said Ward

A Petition of Edward Livingston relative to his Lot of Ground at the Corner of Pearl Street and State Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the 1st & the Aldn of the 2d Wards.

In consequence of Applications to Mr Mayor of many Persons to be licensed as Butchers in this City. The Board determined as their Opinion that Mr Mayor should license all Persons of good Character who shall apply for licence provided they shall have served an Apprenticeship to the Business in this City.

A Memorial of the City Surveyors for an encrease of Pay was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Messrs Carmer & Minthorne.

[318] This Board being under the necessity of making large advances of Money for discharging the Expences of the Health Committee & Bellevue Hospital incurred during the late epidemic Fever in this City, Ordered that the Treasurer nogociate a further loan, with the Bank of New York, of 5000 Dollars and that a Bond from this Corporation with their Seal affixed and subscribed by Mr Mayor for the paymt of that sum be prepared accordingly

It appearing from a statement of the Treasr that there remains due from this Corporation on their Bond to John Alsop decd which is assigned to Dr Nicoll, a ballce of £667:0:2d and that Dr Nicoll request's payment of the same.

Ordered that the Treasr discharge the said Ballce accordingly

Ordered that the Committee on repairs to the City Hall take order for compleating the lower Room, for the use of the Clerk of the Supreme Court, as far as respects the lathing & plaistering of it & putting in two sash Windows.

Ordered that Jacob Abramse be appointed a Commissioner of the Alms House & Bridewell in the place of Frederick Stymets deceased.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Acct of Isaac Stoutenburgh Esqr late Chairman of the Committee for purchasing Materials for the erection of a new Alms House, of the Expenditure of the Monies [319] by him received out of the Treasury reported that they had examined & compared the said Acct with the Vouchers & found it Right and that there remains in Mr Stoutenburgh's hands a Ballce of £466:11:9.

Ordered that he pay the same into the Treasury.

Ordered that George Youle be appointed a fireman to Engine No

5 vice Peter Thompson dec^{d} And Henry Atlee to Engine N^{o} 7 vice Jeremiah Wood dec^{d}

Be it ordained that the Law or Ordinance of this Corporation entitled "A Law directing the Mode of Recovery of the Fines Penalties & forfeitures imposed by the Laws of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York" be amended by expunging the Words "by and in the name of the Chamberlain of the said City for the time being."

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	Rinier Skaats on Acc^{t} for fire Wood at the City Hall...	£60:—:—
issued	Nich^{s} Carmer for the ballce of his Acc^{t} for the erection of a Stable at the Alms H^{s}.....	95:14:11
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen.....	63: 7:—
issued	Ald^{n} Beekman for the Cryer of the 5th W^{d} respects the cleans of Streets.....	4:—:—
issued	Charles Handasyde & Jacob Clinch Clerks of Election each 16/	1:12:—
issued	Gerrit Harsen for the Expences of taking Census & List of Persons qualified to serve as Jurors in the 7th W^{d}	33:12:—

[320] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of Nov^{r} 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Corn^{s} C Roosevelt Theoph^{s} Beekman Andrew Van Tuyl	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Anthony Post Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post George Janeway Thomas Storm	Assist^{ts}

An application of the health Committee in this City for a further advance of 4000 Dollars towards discharging the Debts incurred by the said Committee during the late epidemic Fever in this City was read & agreed to, and it was ordered that the Treasurer negociate a Loan of the
issued Bank of New York for that Sum, that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} to pay the same to the said Committee And that a Bond from this Corporation to the said Bank for that Sum be prepared that the Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto and that M^{r} Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Lenox & Mr Storm be a Committee to treat with Mr Brockholst Livingston as to the purchasing of him the fee of Bellevue Hospital & Land

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 3d & the Assistt of the 2d Ward be a Commtee to view & report on certain Encroachments on the Street [321] at the Corner House in Maiden Lane & Gold Street & the House of Mr Bussing in Crown Street.

A Representation of John B Coles on the subject of the Bridge across Harlem River; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Rutgert Bleecker Junr be & he is hereby appointed a Measurer of Grain.

Ordered that Thomas Eagles be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood at Thames Street new Bason.

The Committee on small change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the following vizt

8700	of 3d	£108:15:—
8000	of 2d	66:13: 4
7800	of 1d	32:10:—
		207:18: 4
	1 Sheet imperfect	6:—
		208: 4: 4

Ordered that the Magistrates apply the one half of the fines which may be recovered before them on the Corporation Laws, to the Informer; excepts such as the Board may have already otherwise appropriated.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward notify Thos Ten Eyck that unless he do without delay Repair his Wharf on the Et side of Coenties Slip this Board will proceed against him on the Covenants in his Grant

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	[322] George Peck on Acct towards Repairs to the Mud Drudge	£200:—:—
issued	Wm Somendyke for carting Earth on Repairs to Coenties Wharf	£11:17:—
issued	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to the public Pumps	£7:19: 3
issued	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles	£3:19: 6
issued	Epaps Jones & Co for 1 Qr Cask Gun: Powder for the Artillery	£16: 2:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps	£65: 5: 8
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch	£66:19:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£66: 1:—

Ordered that the follow[g] Persons be appointed fire Men in this City viz.

Engine N° 3 Elias Vanderlip vice Rinier Skaats dec[d]

Engine N° 17 James Scott vice Tho[s] Lawrence resigned

Engine N° 18 Benjamin D Doughty—Jonathan Lawrence Jun[r]—John Richie & Alex[r] Tiebout vice Daniel Hawxhurst dec[d] Esck White & Samuel Stansbury removed from the City & Joseph Cowley resigned.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 7th day of Dec[r] 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Robert Lenox	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Mangle Minthorn	Assist[ts]
Andrew Van Tuyl		Garret Harsen	
Theoph[s] Beekman		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman		Anth° Post	
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Jotham Post	
Nicholas Bayard			
John Campbell			

[323] A Petition of Dominick Lynch & others for a Regulation of Ferry Street at Corlears Hook in the 7th Ward; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay off the Bonds from this Corporation to Hugh Gaine.

A Petition of Leonard Fisher to purchase the fee of the Lot at the Corner of Pearl & W[m] Streets by him held under a Lease from this Board was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

A Petition of Ab[m] Van Gelder superintendant of the Lamp Department for an encrease of Pay, was read & referred to the Lamp Committee.

It being represented that Aert Huysman is unable from sickness to proceed in collecting the Monies assessed for the paving of Greenwich Street Ordered that Albert Smith be appointed in his stead.

A Petition of Benj[a] M[c]Dowl to be appointed, to prevent forestalling in the public Market Places was read & rejected

A Representation of the Engineers of the Fire Department was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Ald[n] Van Tuyl Lenox & Roosevelt be a Committee to report a Plan for returning to the Owners the Fire Buckets used at Fires.

Ordered that M[r] Van Gelder continue in the use of the Room in the Barracks for convening the lamp Lighters

[324] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 10th day of Decr 1795

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Nicholas Bayard, John Campbell, Cornelius C Roosevelt, Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman, Robert Lenox, Andrew Van Tuyl

Assists: Mangle Minthorn, Jotham Post, George Janeway, Garret Harsen, Anthony Post, Thomas Storm

The Poll List of an Election held in the 1st Ward of an Assessor in the place of Mr Storm was read; and from which it appears that John Van Dyk was duly elected.

Ordered that he be notified to attend & take the Oath prescribed by the Charter

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed Fire Men of this City vizt

Engine No 2 Peter Parks vice Corns Maybie decd

No 15. Jacob Somendyke vice Benja Douglass, resigned and John Taylor vice Joshua Jones resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Luke Persiany for Wages &c in working the Mud Drudge*	£75:19:6
issued	John Youle for a Sheave & brass Box for Do	5:15:—
issued	Ebenezer Stevens for the use of a Screw for Do	1:—:—
issued	Peter Schermerhorn for Ship Chandlery for Do	33:19:2
issued	Wm Irvin for Blacksmith Work for Do	21:13:—
issued	George Peck ballce of his Acct for Shipwrights Work for Do	19:12:—
issued	George Taylor towards a Well lately sunk at the Corner of Eagle & 6th Streets	14:8:—
issued	[325] Isaac Terboss for paints & Lettering Boards with Names of Streets	5:9:2
issued	Rich & Mc for making sd Boards	0:19:—
issued	Thos Hazard for 2 Watchmen at the Goal	12:5:—
issued	John Hyde's Acct for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the Evacuation of this City by the British Forces	40:—:—
issued	George Janeway for ballce of his Acct for paving Thomas Street & laying foot Walks in front of the Corporation Lots in Wm Streets	105:17:10

* Marginal note reads *Whole amt of all the Mud Drudge Accts £357:18:8.* —Ed.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Decr 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Cornes C Roosevelt		Anthony Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	

A Petition from several Inhabitants in the 7th Ward for a public Market Place in the said Ward and that in the mean time Gilbert Knap & William Totten may be licensed as Butchers to sell Meat at their slaughter House in the said Wd was read & rejected.

A Petition of Gerardus Deforrest for a further Grant into the North River was read [&] postponed.

A Petition from the Neighborhood for the [326] filling up part of Beekmans Slip was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the Sections of the fire Law which respect the Duty of the Fire Wardens together with the Names of the Fire Wardens in the respective Wards with a Request that they do without delay proceed to the execution of the Duties required of them, be published in the public News Papers.

Also that the last Section of the Sunday Law be published in like manner.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	John Morris for notifying the Inhabits of the 2d Wd to clean the Streets	£1:12:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for his Compy of City Watchmen	£69:13:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£69:13:—

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of December 1795.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nichs Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Jotham Post	
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Mangle Minthorn	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Thomas Storm	
Robert Lenox			

[327] Ordered that the Clerk make the usual Publication in the News Papers against the firing of Guns &c on the approachs season of New Year.

A Letter from Elias Nixsen one of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell requesting leave to resign that Office; was read & his request granted Whereupon Isaac Stoutenburgh Esq^{r} was appointed in his stead.

On the application of James Scott.

Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine a Lot of new made Ground in the River on the East side of Catharine Slip & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a building of Stone or Brick.

Ordered that an Election be held at Trinity Church in the 1st W^{d} on Thursday the 7th day of Jan^{y} next of a Collector in the stead of Aert Huysman dec^{d}

Ordered that Adam Herttell be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 10 vice Richard Furman resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	Ald^{n} Furman the Sum of £230 on acc^{t} towards the new Bason at Thames's Slip	
issued	W^{m} B: Ogden for repairs to the pavement at the fly market	£0:14: 6
issued	Ab^{m} Van Gelder for lighting Lamps	65:10: 8
issued	Simon Kiersted for repair^{g} Pumps	101: 4:10
issued	Andrew Lot for serving as Clerk at 2 Elections in the first W^{d} for Assist^{t} & Assessor	1:12:—
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen	69:13:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	69:13:—

[328] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of January 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

John Campbell	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Jotham Post	Assist^{ts}
Theoph^{s} Beekman		Garret Harsen	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Anthony Post	
Corn^{s} C Roosevelt		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman		Thomas Storm	
Robert Lenox		Mangle Minthorne	

From the Return of the Poll List of the Election in the first Ward it appears that W^{m} G Forbes is elected a Collector in the stead of Aert Huysman dec^{d}

On reading a Report of the Committee on the Petition of the City Surveyors for an encrease of Pay.

Be it ordained that the last Section of the Law. "to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York" be amended and that the Pay of

eight Shillings allowed by the said Law for laying out each Lot & giving a Certificate thereof be encreased to twelve Shillgs

On a Representation from the City Watchmen

Ordered that their pay be established as follows to the first day of May next vizt

The Captains each eleven Shillings
The Assistants each seven Shillings
And the Privates each five Shillgs & six pence
} per Night

Ordered that the District of Thomas Eagles fire Wood Inspector be changed to the District from Vesey Slip Northward.

Ordered that James Gibson be appointed a Measurer of Grain in this City.

[329] The Committee for cancelling small change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the following vizt

8000	of one Penny	£33: 6: 8
6700	of two Pence	55:16: 8
7000	of three Pence	87:10:—
		176:13: 4
	3 Sheets imperfect	18:—
		£177:11: 4

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Van Tuyl & Mr Minthorn be a Committee to report a Regulation for the Burial Ground commonly called the Potters field.

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

Engine No 4 Henry Cowenhoven.

No 8 Lewis Lorton vice Charles Hidenburgh removed into the Country.

No 8 Jacob Hart vice Frederick Mabie resigned

No 10 Evan Lewis vice, David Skaats—removed to No 1.

No 10 Richard Wheeler vice James Meyers resigned.

No 10 John Smith vice Jacob Fee decd

No 12 Jacob Doty vice Henry Mitchel resigned

No 13 Nicholas Brevoort vice Isaac Horton decd

No 14 Baltus Moore & Christian Schmuck vice Aaron Jenkins & Danl Stansbury decd

No 15. Henry Van De Water vice James Douglass resigned

No 17 Isaac Thorne vice Benja North resigned

No 19. James Marsh vice David Marsh resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Nathl Rhodes for his Attendance as a Witness at the Sup. Ct agt John Willson charged with High Way Robbery	£12:—:—
issued	Joseph Shelvey public Whipper	£6: 5:—
issued	Terboss & Valentine for painting a Stable at the Goal	13: 4:—
issued	John Potterfield for notifying the Inhabts in the 4 & 6th Wds to clean Streets	5: 4:—
issued	[330] Wm Reed for paintg fire Engine Hs	3:16:11
issued	Andrew Lott for his Services as Clk at the Election in the 1st Wd of a Collector	0:16:—
issued	Robt Valentine for Repairs to Coenties Wharf & the Exchange Bridge	3: 2: 4
issued	Wm Rawson for Lamp Oil	34: 2:—
issued	Jacob Harsen for the ballce of his Acct on Repairs to Roads	472: 0:10
issued	George Janeway for ballce of his Acct on Repairs to Goal	177: 7:10
issued	Nichs Carmer for ballce of his Accts for reformg the Gt Court Room & for Repairs to the City Hall	601:19: 1½
issued	The same for Repairs to Bridewell	1:17:10
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	69:13:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like	69:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of January 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox, Andrew Van Tuyl, Gabriel Furman, Nicholas Bayard, Cornelius C Roosevelt } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Nicholas Carmer, Mangel Minthorn, George Janeway, Anthony Post, Jotham Post, Thomas Storm } Assistts

A Petition of Aaron Higbie to hire the Ferry House at Brooklyn was read And thereupon Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Beekman & Mr Harsen be a Committee to take Order for letting the said House and to give Mr Dawson the present Tenant the necessary notice.

[331] The Treasurer presented to the Board an Estimate of the Monies which be required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences of this City the ensuing Year which was read & approved by the Board as follows vizt

Alms House		£12000:—:—
Bridewell		800:—:—
City & County	Roads £1000:—:—	
	Streets 800:—:—	
		1800:—:—
Support crim[l] Prisoners		400:—:—
Elections		150:—:—
contingt Expences		1000:—:—
Monies loaned from the Bank of N Y for supplys the Deficiency of Tax for 1795 for which Bonds are given by the Corporation		4800:—:—
		20950:—:—

City Charges

	£—s	
Watch—26 Weeks @ 69:13/ is	1810:18:—	
Do —26 Do @ 82:12/ is	2147:12:—	
supplys Do with fire Wood & Candles	75:—:—	
		4033:10:—
Lamps supplys 809 with Oil is 8090 Galls @ 7/	2831:10:—	
lighting &c 13 Men @ £60	780:—:—	
lighting Bridewell & Goal	180:—:—	
Repairs & Salaries	375:—:—	
		4166:10:—
Wells & Pumps		350:—:—
Contingt Expences		500:—:—
Amt of City charges		9050:—:—
Do of City & County		20950:—:—
		£30,000:—:—

A Petition to the Legislature for a Law to raise the Sum by a Tax was then read & approved by the Board and the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto accordingly.

Ordered that William Allen be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood at the Coffee House Slip.

[332] A Petition of Jacob Tabellie for an allowance of Pay for his Services as prosecutor on the Laws for preventing fire in this City was read; And the Board determined that at the time of his appointment no pay was intended to be allowed him at the Expence of this Board

A Petition from the Inspectors of fire Wood for an encrease of their Fees; was read & rejected

A Petition of Eleanor Van Bremer was read & referred to Ald[n] Beekman & Mess[rs] Janeway & Minthorn.

A Representation from the Health Committee on the subject of Lots which require raising so as to carry the Water off And a Petition of Sebring & Van Wyck & others praying that the Proprietors of certain Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slips may be compelled to wharf & make the outer Street were respectively read & referred to the Members of this Board who are Members of the Health Com^tee

Petitions of William Terry & James Hearn to be appointed Measurers of Grain were read And it was ordered that they be appointed accordingly.

The Committee on the Common Lands delivered in a Report which was read and ordered to be taken into consideration next Wednesday Week at which time the Board are to meet for the purpose

Ordered that the follow^g Persons be appointed Fire Men of this City viz^t

Engine N° 10 Francis A Marschalk vice Isaac Bayie resigned

N° 12 Cornelius Schermerhorn & Allen Clapp vice Oliver Mildeberger & John Evans resigned

N° 20 Ab^m Rich vice Ab^m Labagh resigned

[333] Mistakes having been discovered in the Assessment, for digging out Harman Street, which was ratified by this Board on the 14^th Sept^r last & the Assessors appointed to make the said Assessment having since corrected the said Mistakes the said Assessment was again presented to the Board and being read was again ratified.

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz^t

The Committee appointed to agree with a suitable Person as Grave Digger at and to have the Charge of the Potters field. Report they have agreed with David Marshall as a suitable Person to have the charge of the said Ground and to allow him four shillings for each grown Person which shall be interred provided that in the whole his Receipts shall be equal to six Shillings per day. And in order that a proper Check may be kept on his Conduct & Accounts, He is forbid to interr any, or permit any to be interred without an order from one of the Magistrates or from the Keeper of the Alms House. This Agreement to be in force until the first of May next when the Corporation shall be at liberty to continue or discharge him; but if he is to be continued he is to be allowed the House at the Ground at such Rent as shall be agreed on.

Jan^y 25^th 1796

Rob^t Lenox
Andrew Van Tuyl

It being considered by the Board that the appointment of a suitable Person to superintend such Work as the Board shall from time direct to be done, would tend not only to the well doing of the same but to the [334] lessening of the public Expences And thereupon Mr Garret Harsen was appointed accordingly

The Clerk presented to the Board (agreable to the Report of the Committee agreed to by the Board on the 17th febv 1794) a Lease of the House & Lot on the Corner of Water Street & Roosevelt Street to Mary Van Zandt as Executrix of Tobias Van Zandt decd which was approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto to be delivered to Mrs Van Zandt on her executing the counterpt

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasury to pay.

issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£86: 2: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	86: 2: 6
issued	Stagg & Gosman for paving Street	98:11: 9
issued	George Gosman for the like	44:16: 9
issued	John Stagg for the like	7:10:—
issued	the same for the like	3: 2: 3
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lighting Lamps	63:14:—
issued	John Bonsall for pine Scantling	7:16: 5
issued	Seth Kneeland for a New fire Engine House	20:12:10
issued	Henry Rutgers for Plank	3: 6: 1
issued	the same for 2 Spars	5: 4:—
issued	David Waldron for Roads	236:14: 4
issued	Danl Burger Repairs to Pumps	98:12: 8
issued	David Marshall for interrments at Potters field	14: 8:—

[335] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on the 1st day of Febv 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Andrew Van Tuyl		Nicholas Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Mangel Minthorn	
Theophilus Beekman		George Janeway	
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Thomas Storm	

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell, The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined & compared the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms

House & Bridewell, with their respective Vouchers & found them right

Those of the Alms House for the last Quarter amounting to.... £2888: 5: 4
And those of the Bridewell to..... 322: 3: 5

The Commissioners Estimate of the Sums required for the ensuing Quarter was read & approved viz^{t}

Alms House ..... £2500:—:—
Bridewell ..... 200:—:—

issued Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} for the payment thereof accord^{gly}

issued Also to pay to the Commiss^{rs} (out of the Monies transmitted from Phil^{a} for the purpose) the further Sum of £400 to be applied to the Relief of Families become indigent and distressed from the late Epidemic Fever.

[336] A Representation of the Medical Society on the Subject of purifying the City so as to render it more Healthy in the Summer Season And a Petition of Tho^{s} Ten Eyck & others against the Prayer of the Petition of Sebring & Van Wyck & others read on 25th Ult^{o} were respectively read & referred to the Members of this Board who are Members of the Health Committee.

A Petition of Jon^{a} Hardman relative to the House at the Potters field was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Lenox, Roosevelt & Beekman be a Committee on the subject of supplying this City with fresh Water—That they be authorized to publish that they will receive Proposals and that they report the result to the Board

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

issued Anth^{o} Post for Repairs to Hudson Bason..... £24: 6:—
issued Thomas Hazard for 2 Watchmen at the Goal..... 21:14:—
issued W^{m} Sloo for convey^{g} Vagrants to Bridewell..... 8:17: 6

[337] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of Feb^{y} 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Robert Lenox, Gabriel Furman, Andrew Van Tuyl, John Campbell } Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}

Garret Harsen, George Janeway, Thomas Storm, Mangel Minthorn, Anthony Post } Assist^{ts}

A Representation of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell of the State of the Alms House particularly as it respects

At a meeting of the Commiſſioners of the Alms-Houſe and Bridewell of the City of New-York, on Monday, the firſt of February, 1796.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the ſaid City, convened in Common Council—The repreſentation of the ſaid Commiſſioners reſpecting the preſent ſtate of the Alms-Houſe—SHEWETH;

THAT however foreign it may be from our preſent purpoſe, to enter on the great political queſtion, Whether the emigration of foreigners into this country, ought, or ought not to be encouraged; yet from the circumſtances attendant on the nature of our office as Commiſſioners, we cannot help being alarmed at the enormous and ſtill growing expence of this department, ariſing, not ſo much from the increaſe of our own poor, as from the prodigious influx of indigent foreigners into this city.

At preſent we ſhall only take notice of the increaſe of the numerous poor imported from Ireland.—When we firſt took upon us the care of this inſtitution in 1784, we found in the Alms-Houſe about forty perſons who were natives of that Iſland, ſince which time they have annually increaſed, and at preſent they amount to 148 perſons, the expence of whoſe ſupport is upwards of 600 dollars per annum;—it is true, a few of theſe, as well as ſome of the other emigrants now in the houſe, having gained a reſidence, are citizens of ours, but by far the greater part of the natives of Ireland, now under our immediate care, have almoſt conſtantly been ſupported at the expence of the city, ſince their arrival.

It appears that ſeveral ſhip-loads of emigrants from Ireland who have arrived here within this year or two paſt, expected to have been landed at Delaware, or ſome other of the Southern States, but from ſome pretext or other the ſhips put into this port:—ſuch accidents as theſe have, no doubt ariſen from a knowledge the captains, or owners had, of certain legal reſtrictions in the Southern States, reſpecting the landing of indigent foreigners.

Circumſtanced then, as we are at preſent, the principal deſign of this repreſentation is, to ſuggeſt, with all due deference, to the Corporation, a queſtion of the propriety of praying for Legiſlative interpoſition; that if our Alms-Houſe laws are found to be inſufficient, ſomething may be done to prevent (in ſome meaſure at leaſt) the evil complained of, reſtricting the turning on ſhore ſuch numbers of diſtreſſed families among us, or that ſome State proviſion may be made for their ſupport; for many of them having paid their laſt ſhilling to the captain, are landed deſtitute and emaciated, and we are ſadly ſenſible of the effect of ſuch numbers of theſe poor people huddling together in cellers and ſheds, in and about the Slip-Yards the laſt ſummer and fall; many of whom, as well as of our fellow-citizens in that quarter, fell a prey to the then deſtroying fever.

We would further repreſent, that the liberal ſupplies granted by the Corporation to the fund for the relief of the neceſſitous in the city, are exhauſted, and that the neceſſity of granting relief to a number of emigrant families, hath greatly contributed thereto.

We have now under our immediate care 770 paupers—The following ſcheme will ſhow the probable expence of ſupporting them for one year, allowing proviſions, clothing, &c. at the preſent prices.

	Adults	Children	Total	Dollars
Paupers born in New-York, - -	98	160	258	*At 41 Dolls.* 10578
Natives of Ireland, - - -	108	40	148	- - 6068
Of other parts of Europe, Africa and America,	224	140	364	- - 14924
	430	340	770	- - 31570

Signed by order and in behalf of the Board,

JOHN STAGG, CHAIRMAN.

The foregoing Repreſentation being read in Common Council, it was ordered that 200 Copies thereof be printed in Hand-Bills for the information of the public.

ROBERT BENSON, CLERK.

FEBRUARY 8, 1796.

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See page 213, also page 416, foot note.

the number of Emigrant Paupers supported in the Alms House was read

Ordered that 200 Copies thereof be printed in Hand Bills to be distributed among the Members of the Legislature for their Information on the Subject.

The Committee to whom were referred the Representations of the Health Com^{tee} and of the Medical Society (the former read on the 25th Ult^{o} & the latter on the 1st Inst. reported verbally on the Subject And thereupon it was ordered that a Petition on the subject to the Legislature be prepared.

On reading a Petition of Carlisle Pollock on the subject of a dispute which has arisen respecting the true Direction of Rector Street into the River.

Ordered that two of the Surveyors make & report without delay a Map of the Water Lots in the vicinity of that Street as the same was granted by this Corporation to the Corporation of Trinity Church.

[338] Ordered that Garret Peterson Jun^{r} be appointed a fireman to Engine N^{o} 10 vice Jeremiah Wood resigned And Henry Taylor to Engine N^{o} 6 vice Ab^{m} Ackerman resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Henry Ten Broeck towards a Well lately sunk in Washington Street	£6:—:—
issued	Josiah Furman for repair^{g} Lamps	£57: 2: 8
issued	Ald^{n} Van Tuyl for Repairs to Slips & Markets &^{c}	£12:—:—
issued	Ald^{n} Campbell for the ball^{ce} of his Acc^{t} for the improvem^{t} of the Fields	£43:11: 2
issued	Mich^{l} Brooks for repair^{g} Lamps	£63: 4: 3
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for the City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	Simon Kiersted for a new Pump at Belle Vue Hospital	£7:19:—
issued	Henry Eichel for an Iron Stove in the crim^{l} Goal	£13:10:—
issued	Rich^{d} Wenman for fire Wood in the crim^{l} Goal	£4:14:—
issued	W^{m} Somendyke for carting Filth & Dirt from the Fly Market	£9:—:—
issued	John Stagg for repaving part of the Street at the College	£37:10: 9
issued	The same for carting Earth round the Fields	£8:14:—

[339] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th febr 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Cornelius C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assists
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	
John Campbell		Jotham Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		George Janeway	
		Nichs Carmer	
		Thomas Storm	

Ordered that Mary Van Zandt be permitted to assign the Lease (executed to her by this Bd on the 25th Ulto) to Jedediah Waterman.

The Committee appointed to take order for letting the Ferry House at Brooklyn having advertized that it would be exposed to sale at public auction in the Common Council Chamber this day, the same was struck off to Henry Dawson the present Tenant as the highest Bidder on the following Terms vizt

On a Lease for three Years from the first day of May next at the annual Rent of two hundred Pounds payable in quarterly payments— The Lessee at his own expence to bear & pay all Taxes & other legal Impositions on the Premisses during the Term And to surrender up the Premisses at the expiration of the Term in good tenantable Order & Repair.

The Surveyors delivered in a Map of the Water Lots granted to Trinity Church from which it appears that Carlisle [340] Pollock has in possession full as much Ground as the Church had a Right to dispose of without interfering with the proper direction of Rector Street into the River And therefore that he ought not to be permitted to encroach on or alter the Direction of the said St

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Van Tuyl & Mr J Post be a Committee to report a Reform of the Ferry from this City to Brooklyn

*The Street Committee reported to the Board a Description, from an actual Survey made, of the outer West. Street, along the West side of this City, which is to be of the breadth of seventy feet and beyond which no Grants ought to be made nor Buildings erected which was read & approved of by the Board vizt

Beginning at the center of the arched Bridge over the Run of Water called the Bestavers Killitie or Rivulet and running from thence in the present Range of Greenwich Street North 11 Degrees &

* Marginal note reads *Survey of West Street.*—Ed.

30 Minutes East 150 feet to the South End of a Piece of upland which lies between Hudsons River and a Piece of Meadow Ground or Marsh (being the first Piece of Meadow Ground or Marsh near Hudson's River to the South of Greenwich) and running Thence along the said Point of upland from the West side of Greenwich Street North 78° Degrees 30 Minutes West 420 feet into Hudsons River. Thence running on a Course, as it appears on the Map South 11° Degrees 45 Minutes West to a Point at the [341] southern Range of Duane Street; which said Point is from the West side of Greenwich Street along Duane Street on a course as the said Duane Street now runs North 76° Degrees and 40 Minutes West 440 feet into Hudsons River. Thence running from the said Point on a course of South 17° Degrees 30 Minutes West to a Point at the northeastermost Range of the Street or Lane between Kennedys Corner House & the Battery; which said Point is from the West side of Greenwich Street on a course of North 68° Degrees 50 Minutes West, at the extent of 360 feet into Hudsons River.

*The same Committee also reported an alteration in the permanent Line of the South outer Street in front of the City on the East River, as was agreed to on the 7th of April 1795 which was also approved of by the Board and is as follows viz[t]

Beginning at a Point as laid down in the Map at the Angle opposite Alderman Beekmans House; which said Point is from the South side of Water Street at the continuation of the southwestermost Boundary Line of the Grant to Thomas Barnes & now belonging to Samuel Ackerly 420 feet into the East River. Thence running on a Course as it appears on the Map N° 83° Degrees 30 Minutes East to a Point at the West Range of Rutgers Street in the Estate of Hendrick Rutgers dec[d] which said Point is from the South side of Cherry Street [342] on a course South 3 Degrees 15 Minutes East as said Rutgers Street now runs 590 feet into said East River. Thence running on a course as it appears on the Map North 87 Degrees 15 Minutes East to a Point into the East River at Corlaers Hook, which said Point is after measuring on a Course of North 87 Degrees 30 Minutes East 870 feet from the East side of Ferry Street along Crown Point Street. Thence running at the extent of said Distance South 2 Degrees & 30 Minutes East 360 feet from the South Range of said Crown Point Street into the River to the said last mentioned Point"

* Marginal note reads *Survey of South Street amended. See P. 217.*—ED.

*The Board according to order proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Common Lands which was read and agreed to as follows viz^{t} " That they have had a Survey made of the Commons contemplating that the same may hereafter be improved as part of the City, to which end they have had Streets regularly laid down. They are unanimously of Opinion that the best Mode of improving the same is to sell at public Vendue the one half and to lease the other for the Term of twenty one Years They are induced to recommend this Plan from a belief that it will tend to a speedy Improvement and that the one half which is to be leased will at the End of the Term be worth more than the whole now is They further report that the Lots as they are now laid out be sold and leased under [343] the management of a Committee who are to point out the Lots so to be sold and leased, and who are to be charged to sell and lease the same in such a manner as that the one half to be leased shall be best improved by that of the one sold. That part sold to be subject to an annual Rent† of one bushel of Wheat per Acre. They further report that the Committee be charged to sell under the following Conditions viz^{t}—Ten per Cent to be paid at the Sale Ten per Cent on the execution of the Deeds twenty per Cent annually with Interest at Six per Cent from the day of Sale. The Committee further report that the contemplated Sale & Lease is to commence at the Road or Street dividing the Ground of M^{r} Atwood & that on Lease to
from the Commons and so to extend where the same is bounded by the Harlem Commons.

The Committee further report that the Sale and Lease now contemplated may be made as soon as convenient that those who may be induced to buy may have it in their Power to improve the same before the next Summer when the Committee believe the alarm occasioned by the late Epidemic will induce many to buy and improve and thereby tend to encrease the value of the public property."

[344] Ordered that the same Committee take order for carrying the said Report into effect and that the Sale commence at the City Hall on the 15th March next

Ordered that the same Committee direct that the ‡middle Road be laid out of the breadth of one hundred feet And also that they cause the common Lands between those of David Provoost dec^{d} & John Hardenbrook & the post Road to be laid out & surveyed with the necessary Roads and Streets, And sold in like manner.

* Marginal note reads *see this regulated 23^{d} May next See P. 383.*—ED.

† Marginal note reads *see this Rent altered next Common Council See P. 346.*—ED.

‡ Marginal note reads *Manhattan Avenue.*—ED.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of febr 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, Gabriel Furman, Nicholas Bayard, Robert Lenox } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Nichs Carmer, Thomas Storm, Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Post, George Janeway, Jotham Post } Assistts

The Commissioners of the Alms House Lottery attended the Board & reported " that at least 6000 Tickets remained in their Hands unsold that Mr John Rogers and his Associates had made an Offer to purchase all the Tickets remaining on hand unsold at ten Dollars each on the follows Paymts on the 20th April next the whole amount of the Tickets purchased excepting the Sum of twenty five thousand Dollars which they propose to pay in three Installments vizt one third on the first June, one third on the fifteenth July and the remaining third on the fifteenth of August next: provided the drawing of the [345] Lottery be postponed until the first Monday in April next." Which said Offer this Board do accede to; provided that the Tickets continue to be sold at the price of Ten Dollars to the Inhabitants until the first day of March next And it is ordered that the further drawing of the said Lottery be postponed till the first Monday in April next accordingly

Ordered that the Representations of the Health Committee read on the 25th Ulto and of the Medical Society read on the 1st Inst be published for the Information of the public.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Campbell & Mr Janeway be a Committee to confer with the Proprietors of the Ground through which the contemplated Canal is to pass from the fresh Water Pond into Hudson River, and to report the Result

Ordered that Swartwout & Dumond have permission to frame their Timber for a Store House in the wide part of the Street in front of the old Slip, so as not to interrupt passing Carriages & the whole to be finished & removed by the 15th March

A Petition of James Knox to wharf out further into Hudson River was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Services	£20:—:—
issued	The same for sweepg City Hall Chimnies	1:10:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£3: 4: 6
issued	Luke Persiany for Repairs to the Mud Drudge	£17:17:—

[346] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d feby 1796

Present/ Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Gerret Harsen
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer
Robert Lenox		George Janeway
Andrew Van Tuyl		Mangle Minthorn
Nichs Bayard		Anthony Post
John Campbell		Thomas Storm

*Ordered that the Report of the Committee on the Sale of the Common Lands be so amended as that instead of one Bushel of Wheat per Acre per Annum the Rent reserved be four Bushels for each Block or Square per Annum

A Memorial of John Crolius complaining that certain Persons claiming Lands North of the Alms House are making Encroachments on Lots by him held under Lease from this Corporation was read and referred to the Committee appointed to settle with the Proprietors of those Lands & establish a boundary Line.

A Project or Proposal of Monsr Mainshin (Mangin) & Brother Enginiers for making a Dock or Bason in the low Grounds at the fresh Water Pond as a safe Harbor for Shipping & to drain and carry off the Water from that Quarter into the Rivers; was read & ordered to be taken into consideration with the subject of the contemplated Canal from the fresh Water Pond into Hudsons River.

[347] A Petition of John Leary for purchasing at private Sale the Common Lands which lay between the Farm by him lately purchased of the Representatives of David Provoost decd and the Post Road was read and referred to the land Committee.

Ordered that John Wright be appointed a Measurer of Grain.

The lamp Committee on the Petition of Abm Van Gelder reported that his Salary or Allowance for his Services as Superintendant of the Lamp Department, be encreased five Pounds per Quarter from the sixteenth of November last; which was agreed to by the Board.

* Marginal note reads *See P. 343.*—Ed.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Rates of public Wharfage and Slippage reported that in their Opinion all Coasting Vessels should pay the Rates of Wharfage established by Law for Vessels lying at private Wharfs and that the annual Slippage paid by Market Boats be doubled And further that the commissions ot the Collector of those Rates be reduced to twelve & an half PC^{t}; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance accordingly.

Ordered that Wood Furman be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 10 vice Gabriel Furman resigned.

On reading a Petition of Col^{o} H Rutgers

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to view & examine his Water Lot (on which he has lately sunk two Blocks [348] or Wharfs & on which he intends to erect a Store House) and to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick.

Ordered that the Ald & Assist of the 4th & the Ald^{n} of the 5th Wards be a Committee to report the best Mode of disposing of the Ferries across the North River

Ordered that the Ald^{n} & Assist of the third & the Ald^{n} of the 2^{d} Wards be a Committee to report what Improvements & Repairs are necessary to the Fly Market

The auditing Committee report that they have examined the Acc^{ts} & Vouchers of Richard Varick the Mayor for Market Fees received & paid by him from the 29th December 1794 to the 2^{d} day of January last inclusive.

That the Mayor has received from Rinier Skaats and James Culbertson (including £47:3:6 paid by his Commission or Order for sweeping & cleansing the Markets and carting away the Dirt) the Sum of One thousand six hundred & eighty Pounds sixteen Shillings & eleven Pence And that he has paid to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer the Sum of Seven hundred & ninety four Pounds five Shillings on that Account and has retained Eight hundred & forty Pounds eight Shillings & five Pence to his own use.

That the Committee have also examined the Mayors Account of Monies received and paid for Licences granted to Tavern Keepers between the first day of March 1795 and the 19th day of January last; That he [349] has received for 709 Licences the Sum of One thousand & sixty three Pounds 10/ That he has paid £212:14/ (being the one fifth part thereof) to Robert Benson Esq^{r} the Clerk;

That he has retained the like Sum for his own use. That he has paid to Hugh Gaine for printing the Licences £13:6:8. That he has also paid to William W Gilbert £42:1:6 as a Commission for receiving & paying three fifths Parts of £2805 received by him for 1870 Licences granted in the Years 1793, 1794 & 1795 All which Monies have been accounted for by the Mayor & paid to the use of the Corporation And that he has paid five hundred & eighty two Pounds thirteen Shillings & 10d (being the ballance) to Mr Phœnix the City Treasurer as appears from the Acct filed & the Vouchers exhibited to the Committee.

Febv 22d 1796 — Garret Harsen, Nicholas Carmer } Audits Comtee

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like & Disbursemts	£85:14: 6
issued	Jacob Sherred for glazing City Hall	£2: 6: 3
issued	Theods Hunt for Repairs Ferry Stairs at Cathn Slip	26: 0: 6
issued	David Ackerman for Logs for the same	8: 6:—
issued	John Midwinter for Iron Work for the same	£17: 3:10

[350] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Febv 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Robert Lenox, Gabriel Furman, Cornes C Roosevelt, Andrew Van Tuyl, Nicholas Bayard, John Campbell

Assists: Garret Harsen, Jotham Post, Thomas Storm, Mangel Minthorn, George Janeway, Anthony Post

The Clerk, according to order, presented an Ordinance on the Subject of the Rates of Slippage & Wharfage agreable to the Report of the Committee agreed to at the last Meeting, which was read considered by Paragraphs & passed by the Board

On a representation that the Gates of the *Enclosed Ground in front of the Alms Hs were out of order & that the Ground & Trees were injured by Cows & other Creatures getting in Ordered that Mr Harsen cause the said Gates & the Fence to be secured And that in case of the breaking in of Cows &c he cause them to be taken up & pounded or that he take such other legal Measures as may be neces-

* Marginal note reads *Park*.—Ed.

sary And further that a Letter of Attorney from this Board to him for that purpose be made out & Sealed.

A Representation of the Goaler with respect to the Gaol was read & it was ordered that the Committee on the Subject cause the necessy Repairs to be made.

[351] The Committee on the Memorial of John Crolius delivered in the following Report which was agreed to by the Bd

"That they have not made any Proposals or Agreement with the Claimants of the Land called the Negroe's burying Ground which can authorize them to intrude upon or take possession of the Land leased to the Memorialist nor do the Committee know or believe that the said Claimants have had any such Authority from the Common Council of this City And the Committee are therefore of Opinion that if any Person injures or encroaches upon him he ought to seek Redress at Law"

Samuel Jones
John Campbell"

The Committee on small change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follows viz

8500	of 3d	£106: 5:—
7500	of 2d	62:10:—
6500	of 1d	27: 1: 8
		195:16: 8
	2 imperfect Sheets	12:—
		£196: 8: 8

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Gerrit Harsen on Acct towards Repairs to the Gates & filling in the Enclosed Ground in front of the Alms Hs	£100:—:—
issued	The same for the Gt Ct Roome	£9: 0: 7
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps	£65:19:—

Ordered that Samuel Bleecker be appointed a Measurer of Grain in this City.

[352] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 7th day of March 1796

Present/ Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Andrew Van Tuyl Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Cornelius C Roosevelt John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer Garret Harsen Thos Storm Mangle Minthorne George Janeway Jotham Post George Janeway	Assistts

A Petition of Benjamin S Judah & others Proprietors of Water Lots between White Hall Slip & the Exchange Slip on the Subject of the Grants to be made to them to the outer South Street on the River was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Abijah Hart & Elias Cowles for the appointment of five Persons to examine their Water Lot at Fletcher Street on which they intend to erect a Wooden Building or Store House was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the 3d Ward to enquire into the State of the Lot whether it comes within the meaning of the Law for regulating Buildings in this City.

A Petition of Peter Aymar on the Subject of the regulation of Harmen Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Furman and Mr J Post be a Committee to enquire into the present System of the Lamp Department & to report whether any & what more œconomical Plan can be adopted.

[353] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

" The Committee appointed to enquire & report what Repairs were necessary to the Fly Market Report that the upper & middle Market require new Floors and the latter a new Roof; but as these Repairs if carried into effect, would only be temporary & ill comport with the public Spirit of the Corporation and as the Drain under the upper Market requires enlarging & new paving; and as the present situation of the Pavements on each side of the Market require new modelling in order to carry off the Water; and it is cheapest in the end to make permanent Improvements; Your Committee report that the upper Market should be raised & widened and the present Roof which is in good Condition be supported by Brick Pillars & cielled with Lath & Plaister and that the Pavement should be raised along the Market so as to give descent for the Water towards the Houses instead of the Market

and that these Alterations should be made as soon as the Season will admit. That as this will be quite as much as the Corporation will be able to attend to the ensuing Summer Your Committee are of Opinion that the middle Market should have a very temporary Repair 'till next Season when it should be rebuilt in a corresponding manner; all which is respectfully submitted

New York 7th March 1796

Robt Lenox
Andrew Van Tuyl
Nichs Carmer

Ordered that the same Committee take order for repairing the said Market agreable to the said Report

[354] Ordered that the Sale of the Common Lands be postponed 'till Tuesday the 19th day of April next

The following Report on the Representation of John B Coles presented on the 30th Novr last was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Street Committee Report that they have viewed the Place where John B Coles purposes to erect the Bridge or Dam and are of Opinion that the Prayer of his Petition ought to be granted upon reasonable Terms.

New York March 7th 1796

Gabriel Furman
Robt Lenox
Andrew Van Tuyl
Mangle Minthorn
Garret Harsen
John Campbell

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the following vizt

7000	of 1d	£29: 3: 4
7800	of 2d	65:—:—
9400	of 3d	117:10:—
		£211:13: 4

Ordered that Jacob Van Wagenen Junr be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 11 vice Isaac Moore decd

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Casimir Th. Gœrick for surveying	£57:18:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	George Forman for printg	£1:12:—

[355] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of March 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman, Andrew Van Tuyl, Gabriel Furman, Robert Lenox } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Nichs Carmer, Anthony Post, Thomas Storm, Mangle Minthorn, George Janeway } Assistts

A Letter from Benjamin Taylor one of the City Surveyors on the subject of the contemplated Canal from the fresh Water Pond to the North River was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

A Petition of Sebring & Van Wyck & others for permission to advance the Line of the front of their Lots on the West side of Coenties Pier so as to make them range with the front of the Lots above them was read & rejected

A Petition of Thomas Hazard the Goaler for an encrease of the allowance for subsisting criminal Prisoners was read

Ordered that he be allowed at the rate of one Shilling for each Person per day from the 14th October last

Ordered that Mr Recorder & Aldn Lenox & Mr Storm be a Committee to ascertain & report what Quit Rent ought to be reserved on the additional Grants of Water Lots out to the established Line of the South Street outer Street in the East River.

A Petition of Gerards Deforrest for a Grant of the Water Lot in front of his Lot in the 6th Wd was read & referred to the Street Comtee

[356] The Committee of Accts submitted to the Bd for their Direction an Acct of Danl Burger Pumpmaker in which he charges at the rate of four Shillings per foot for a new Pump when others charge only three shillings. Ordered that the said Acct be audited & paid and that he be no longer employed

The Committee on a reform of Brooklyn Ferry delivered in a Report, which was recommitted and Mr Recorder and Aldn Furman were added to the Committee.

Ordered that Jacob Evans be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 1 vice John Ryckman resigned.

The Committee appointed to view the Lot of Abijah Hart & Elias Cowles reported that it is not filled up; and that the Water will over-

flow it every Tide and therefore that it will not be proper to appoint Persons to examine it in pursuance of the Law for regulating Buildings.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

	Danl Burger for Repairs to Pumps.....	£41: 7:10
issued	Andrew Lot for transcribing alphabetically the List of Jurors	£8:15:—
issued	David Marshall on Acct for superintendg Potters field burying Ground	£10:—:—
issued	James Wing for Lamp Oil.....	£274:15:—
issued	Timothy Folger for the like.....	£883: 1:—

[357] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday March 21st 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman John Campbell Gabriel Furman Nichs Bayard Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway Mangle Minthorn Garrit Harsen Nichs Carmer Jotham Post Thomas Storm	Asistts

A Petition of John Jackson for the appointment of five Persons to view his Water Lot whether it will bear a Foundation for a Building of Stone or Brick; was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the third Ward

A Petition of Isaac Clason for leave to make an Area & Vault in front of his House in the Broad Way; was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

A Petition of James Campbell to be appointed an Inspector of Sole Leather was read & rejected.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of George Street in the 7th Ward against the depositing of Dirt & Filth for Manure in that Neighborhood was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

Mr John Minshull attended & presented to the Board his Remarks in writing on the subjects of cleansing this City and supplying it with fresh Water; which was read & referred to the Committees on those Subjects.

[358] Ordered that Richard De Groot be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 22

On reading an application from the Health Committee Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Robt Bowne their Treasurer (out of the Revenue fund to be charged to the State of New York) the Sum of
issued £986: 14: 2 towards discharging the Expences of the said Committee And (out of the Monies transmitted from Phila for the purpose) the Sum of £248: 15: 8 towards the Relief of Persons who became necessitous by the Epidemic Fever last Summer.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	John Keyser for repairs Wells & Pumps	£8: 8: 6
issued	Thos Pye for a large Lock & Key to the Goal	£10: —: —
issued	John Sleght for Shingles at Belle Vue Hospital	£4: 15: 10

[359] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 31st day of March 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn	Assistts
Cornelius C Roosevelt	Garret Harsen
John Campbell	Mangle Minthorn
Theophs Beekman	George Janeway
Robert Lenox	Nicholas Carmer
Gabriel Furman	Thomas Storm
Nicholas Bayard	Jotham Post
Andrew Van Tuyl	

The Committee on small change Notes reported that they had cancelled & burnt to ashes the following vizt

6000 of one Penny	£25: —: —
6000 of two Pence	50: —: —
6000 of three Pence	75: —: —
one imperfect Sheet	—: 6: —
	£150: 6: —

The follows Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Street Committee Report that in their Opinion it will be proper to adopt the following temporary Regulation for Ferry Street at Coarlaers Hook from Grand Street to the extent of the future Grants in the River; which the Committee conceive is as near the permanent Regulation as is at present attainable. vizt

[360] The Intersection of Grand Street & Ferry Street will require to be dug down 11 feet 10 Inches so as to have from Ferry Street southeasterly along Grand Street to the extent of the Grants (after the Wallplate of the Wharf is raised 4 feet above high Water Mark) a descent of 2½ Inches on 10 feet—Thence descend^{g} from the intersection of Grand Street down Ferry Street with 2 $^{9}/_{10}$ Inches on 10 feet to the extent of the Grants where the Wall Plate of the Dock will also be 4 feet above High Water Mark. In consequence of this it will require digging down at the extent of 186 feet distance from Grand Street being the Intersection of High Street 15 feet 7 Inches at the Intersection of Middle Street being 250 further 14 feet 2 Inches—At the Intersection of Crown Point Street 250 feet further 2 feet 11 Inches And at High Water mark to be raised 11 feet in order to have the same descent to the extent of the Grants being about 380 feet into the River.

Gabriel Furman
Rob^{t} Lenox
Garret Harsen
John Campbell
Theoph^{s} Beekman
Mangle Minthorn
} Com^{tee}

The Committee on the Petition of Jacob Wilkins presented on the 8th Sept^{r} 1794 reported as follows, which was agreed to by the Board viz^{t} That the Prayer of his Petition ought to be granted. They recommend that his Grant be extended to the seventy feet Street or permanent Line on the West side of the City on paying such additional Quit [rent] as the Corporation shall establish [361] and he conditioning to make the seventy feet Street in front and keeping the same in Repair.

March 31st 1796

Gabriel Furman
Rob^{t} Lenox
Garret Harsen
John Campbell
Theoph^{s} Beekman
Mangle Minthorne"

A Petition of Henry Pope & Leonard Fisher for leave to take up part of Rutgers & James Streets to lay a Drain for carrying off the Water from their Cellars was read & granted, under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward, & that the Petitioners put the Street in good Order again.

The Committee on the Petition of Benj[a] S Judah & others in which South they set forth that they have nearly finished the seventy foot or outer Street on the River between White Hall & Coenties Slips & requesting Grants to extend their Water Lots up to the said Street And also requesting that they may be permitted to lay the Piers, which are intended to be nearly opposite to Moore Street & the Exchange Slip, directly opposite to & in front of the said Street & Slip; delivered in a verbal Report on the Subject And the Board determined that they should have their Grants whenever the said Street of 70 feet shall be compleated And that they be permitted to sink one of the said Piers opposite to Moore Street But that the Pier near the Exchange Slip be sunk at the place & in manner directed in & by the former Order of this Board on that Subject

issued Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] to pay Ab[m] Van Gelder for light[g] Lamps..... £65:19:—

[362] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the fifth day of April 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Robert Lenox	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	George Janeway
Theoph[s] Beekman		Mangle Minthorn
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post
Corn[s] C Roosevelt		Nich[s] Carmer
Andrew Van Tuyl		Thomas Storm
		Garret Harsen
		Jotham Post

Assist[ts]

In pursuance of the Statute for regulating Elections, the Board proceeded to the Election of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Senators & Members of Assembly and the following Persons were duly elected in the respective Wards viz[t]

1st Ward
Peter Jay Munro
Isaac Clason
Nicholas Gouverneur

2d Ward
Samuel Boyd
William Constable
John B Coles

3d Ward
William Laight
John Blagge
Daniel Dunscomb Jun[r]

4th Ward
Frederick Rhinelander
George Gosman
George Lindsay

5th Ward	6th Ward
Henry Will	John Crolius Junr
John Townsend	Henry Ten Broeck
Isaac Cock	Jacob Harsen

7th Ward
Richard Furman
Thomas Ivers.
Jacamiah Ackerly

[363] On reading the applications of Nichs Van Antwerp & James Stewart

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore, James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine their respective Lots lately filled in on the East River between the Exchange & Coenties Slips & to determine whether they will bear foundations for Buildings of Stone or Brick

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell the Sum of £1000 on Acct for the Alms House

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of April 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Alds	Assistts
Nichs Bayard	Mangle Minthorn
Theophs Beekman	Garret Harsen
Andrew Van Tuyl	Nicholas Carmer
Cornes C Roosevelt	Thomas Storm
John Campbell	Anthony Post
Gabriel Furman	

A Petition of Mariam Berrian Widow & Admr of Daniel Berrian decd relative to the ballance of an Acct due from this Board for Repairs to Coenties Wharf was read and referred to the Committee on the Repairs to that Wharf

A Petition of the Proprietors of the Lots on front Street between the Crane Wharf & Pecks Slip praying that the said Street may be opened to Pecks Slip; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[364] On a Suggestion that the Surveyor will require longer time than was expected to stake of the Lots agreable to the numbers on the Map of the Common Lands, it was ordered that the Time appointed for the Sale of those Lands at Auction be further postponed 'till the 10th day of May next

An Estimate & Assessment for the digging out & filling in of George Street in the 7th Ward from Division Street to Cherry Street was read & ratified by the Board And Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessmt & John Foot & Daniel Raveau were appointed to digg out & fill in the said Street

On readg the application of Ebenezer Stevens and Peter Schermerhorn & Abijah Hart.

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine their respective Lots lately filled in on the East River between the Crane Wharf & Pecks Slip & to determine whether they will bear foundations for Buildings of Brick or Stone.

On reading a Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in Oliver Street Ordered that they be *be* permitted to sink a Well in such part of the said Street as the Aldn & Assist of the Ward shall direct.

Ordered that William Cebra & Thomas Pinckney be appointed Measurers of Grain in this City.

A Petition of Peter Ogilvie & John Quackenbos for Grants of the Water Lots in front of their Land at Corlaers Hook; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Mr John Delafield presented to the Bd certain proposals to sell to this Bd certain Grounds by him lately purchased for the widening of Beaver Lane at the rate of £1022 the price he paid for them; which was read & referred to the Street Committee And the Committee were instructed to treat with Henry King for the purchase of the Corner House & Lot on the Broad Way for the above Purpose of widening the said Street.

[365] Ordered that the one half of the Fines recovered on the Act of the Legislature for preventing Fires in this City be paid to the Informer or Prosecutor.

The Committee on the small Change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the followg viz^{t}

6000	of 1d	£25:—:—
6000	of 2d	50:—:—
6700	of 3d	83:15:—
		£158:15:—

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the Wd take order for making the necessary Repairs to Coenties Wharf

The Committee on the North River Ferries reported that they had

been sold at public Auction to the following Persons on the following Terms & Conditions viz[t]

Paulus Hook Ferry to John Holdron for three Years from the first day of May next at the annual Rent of £300 to be paid quarterly.

Hoboock Ferry to Joseph Smith for the like Term from the first day of May next at the annual Rent of £120 to be paid quarterly.

Conditions

The Purchasors to enter into Bonds with sufficient Securities for the faithfull Performance of their Contracts & the Conditions

Each Ferry to be provided with two large Boats for the conveyance of Horses Cattle Carriages & other heavy Articles and two Row Boats for the conveyance of Passengers

To ferry from Sunrise 'till 9 OClock at Night from the 1[st] May to the 1[st] October and not to be excluded from double Ferriage after Sunset

[366] The Stairs at the landing Places of each Ferry to be upheld & kept in Repair at the Expence of the respective Lessees

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Joseph Shelvie public Whipper.....	£6: 5:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20[th] day of April 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Theoph[s] Beekman, Gabriel Furman, Cornelius C Roosevelt, John Campbell, Nich[s] Bayard } Esq[rs] Ald[n]

Nich[s] Carmer, Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorn, Jotham Post, Anthony Post, Thomas Storm } Assist[ts]

The Legislature having at the last Session by Law directed the State Treasurer to pay to the order of this Board by Warr[t] from the Mayor or Recorder the Sum of £3311: 16: 2 for defraying the necessary Expences incurred by occasion of the Sickness which prevailed in this City the last Summer & Fall.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the State Treasurer to pay the said Sum to the City Treasurer accordingly.

Isaac Stoutenburgh Esq[r] on behalf of the Commissioners named in the Law for the [367] erection of a State Prison in this City sent in a written Proposal to treat with this Board for the Purpose of

purchasing for the use of the said Prison, the Bridewell with certain of the Ground thereunto belonging, or the Piece of Ground fronting the Broad Way formerly purchased by the Corporation for the use of the Works intended to supply this City with Water; which said Proposal was read & the same being duly considered by the Board was rejected

Ordered that the Clerk cause the Health Office Law to be published for the Information of the Inhabitants.

An Ordinance for the new Paving of Gold Street from John Street to Maiden Lane was passed by the Board

Ordered that Monmouth Purdy be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House

Estimates & Assessments for paving Rose Street Hague Street, Skinners Street & Franckfort Street from Pearl Street to Jacob Street; were respectively read & ratified by the Board And David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies & William Ogden to superintend the paving of the s^{d} Streets

A Petition of Nich^{s} Anthony & others Tanners praying Leave to lay a Drain from Franckfort Street down Jacob Street to the main Drain in Ferry Street to convey the Water from their Cellars was read & granted under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward

[368] Ordered that John Whitehand be appointed a Fire Man to Engine N^{o} 19 vice Zeno Weeks removed from the City

Ordered that M^{r} Harsen take order for employing two proper Persons, the one to take care of & prevent Injury to the enclosed Park Ground in front of the Alms House & Bridewell & the other of the Battery & the Bowling Green in front of the Gov^{t} House

M^{r} John Delafield having purchased the Grounds necessary for the widening of Beaver Lane proposes to convey the same to this Corporation at the Price he gave for it; which the Board agreed to accept of And there remain now only the Corner Lot belonging to.
King on Broad Way. to be procured to compleat this Business; And the proprietor demand^{s} unreasonable Price therefor It was ordered that the Clerk prepare a Precept to issue out of the next Mayors Court & returnable the Mayors Court follow^{g} for the summoning & returning of a Jury to ascertain & determine what ought to be the Recompence to the Proprietor of the said Lot required for the widening of the said Street as af^{d}

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Casimir Th: Gœrick on Acct for staking of the Lots on the Common Lands	£40:—:—
issued	George Gosman for a ballce remaining due on the Assessmt for paving Gold Street not recoverable from Capt Rutgers on [369] whom the same was assessed..	£32:10: 4
issued	The same for the paving in front of the Lot at the Battery purchased by this Board of Exr Thomas Smith..	£7:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	Willson Rawson for Lamp Oil	£751: 2: 2
issued	Wm J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests	£33: 6:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 25th 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assists
John Campbell		Nicholas Carmer	
Nicholas Bayard		Thomas Storm	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorne	
Robert Lenox		Jotham Post	
		Anthony Post	
		George Janeway	

A Petition of Pearsall & Pell & others for the paving of Cherry Street from Catharine Street to George Street and on each side the Market was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Gold Hoyt Junr & John Tom for Grants in the East River out to the 70 feet Street in front of their Water Lots lately purchased of the Estate of Cornes Van Ranst decd was read & referred to Mr Recorder Aldn Lenox & Mr Storm.

The Board proceeded to the appointment of a Person as Superintendant of the Lamp Department in the place of Abraham Van Gelder decd and Wm J Elsworth was appointed accordingly.

[370] Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the several Wards examine the Streets & Lots in their respective Wards & report such as require Measures to be taken with them purst to the Health Office Law

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 1st & 2d Wards take order for cleansing the Sewer at the Exchange of Filth & Dirt.

On reading an application of John Wilkins

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine his Lot lately filled in

the Albany Bason & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Brick or Stone.

The Committee on the Petition of Meriam Berrian Widow & Admx of Danl Berrian decd Reported that the Facts contained in the said Petition are true and that the said Daniel Berrian had executed about two thirds of his Contract for repairing the Albany Pier And therefore he had earned fifty Pounds which the Committee are of Opinion ought to be paid to his Representative; which Report was agreed to by the Bd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Mariam Berrian Widow & Admx of Daniel Berrian agreable to the above Report.....	£50:—:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder Son of Abm Van Gelder decd for lighting the public Lamps.....	£65:19:—
issued	John Potterfield for notifying the Inhabitts of the 6th Wd to clean Streets.....	£1: 8:—
issued	Thomas Hazard for two Watchmen at the Goal.....	£21:—:—

[371] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday May 2d 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Mangle Minthorne	
Gabriel Furman		Garrit Harsen	
Robert Lenox		Nichs Carmer	
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post	
John Campbell			
Cornes C Roosevelt			

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Books and Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell and compared them with their respective Vouchers and found them just & right

Those of the Alms House for the last Quarter amountg.....	£3300: 3: 2
Those of the Bridewell.....	520:18: 6½
An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Qr (exclusive of the £1000 lately granted to them) amounting for the Alms Hs to	£3000:—:—
for the Bridewell.....	100:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for the payment thereof accordingly

A Petition of the neighborhood at Pecks Slip agt the Cartmen standing in great numbers in the Street with their Horses & Carts was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward to take order for removing them out of the Range of Water Street

[372] Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 1st & 2d Wards take order for repairing the Bridge at the Exchange & to make Gates to prevent Filth & Nuisances from being thrown into the Common Sewer

Ordered that Thos Johnson be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 19 vice James Marsh removed from the City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Brockholst Livingston for ¾ Rent due the first Inst for the Farm at Belle Vue	£67:10:—
issued	Wm Hardenbrook for Repairs to Lamps	£47:18: 6
issued	Jons Hardman for Repairs to the House at the Potters field	£6:15:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	George Bunce & Co for printing	£10: 4: 6
issued	Thos Hazard for 2 Watchmen at the Goal	£9:15:—
issued	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps 4th Wd	£20: 5: 6
issued	Wm B Ogden for pavg at the Well in Broad Street	1: 8:—

The following Bye Laws and Ordinances were then read & passed by the Board to be & continue in force for one Year from this day vizt

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

[373] "A Law to regulate the paving & keeping in Repair the Streets and to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law more effectually to prevent Nuisances and for cleaning the Streets in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing & extinguishing Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale & cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the Rates of Wharfage"

"A Law to amend the Law entitled "A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of Wharfage"

"A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York"

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York"

[374] "A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within limits and jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Danger from Horses going *at* loose or at large in the Streets of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Goats going at large in the City of New York"

"A Law directing the Mode of recovery of the Fines Penalties & Forfeitures imposed by the Laws of the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York"

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of May. 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Cornes C Roosevelt John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Anthony Post Nichs Carmer Mangle Minthorn George Janeway Thomas Storm	Assistts

Joseph Francois Mangin—Engineer admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City

The Committee on small change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the follow[g] viz[t]

6600	of 1 Penny	27:10:—
5700	of 2[d]	47:10:—
6000	of 3[d]	75:—:—
1 imperfect Sheet		—: 6:—
		£150: 6:—

On reading a Petition of Sam[l] Francklin

Ordered that he be permitted to sink Cisterns in Water Street in front of his Houses under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward

[375] A Petition of Leonard Fisher to erect a new Building on the Lot in Pearl Street held under Lease from this Corporation provided he be allowed for the same at the end of his Term; was read & rejected

A Petition of the fire Wood Inspectors for an encrease of Fees was read & rejected

Letters from M[r] Taylor City Surveyor on the Subject of encroachments on Greenwich Street & the Bowery Lane were read & referred to the Street Com[tee]

The Committee on the Petitions of M[r] Gouverneur & others Proprietors of the Land bounded by the River at Corlaers Hook for Grants of the Soil under Water, deliv[d] in a Report on the Subject which was read & postponed.

A Petition of the Ex[rs] of Jeremiah Brower dec[d] for further Grants into the River in front of their Lot between Beekman Slip & the Crane Wharf was read & referred to M[r] Recorder Ald[n] Furman & M[r] Storm, the Committee appointed to report what Quit Rents ought to be reserved on the new Grants.

Ordered that Isaac Sharpless have leave to use the Ground in front of the Bason at Thames Slip for the purpose of making a Frame for a Building, not exceeding six Days.

Estimates & Assessments for digging out filling in & paving of Division Street Lombard Street & Cheapside Streets, were read & ratified by the Board; And John Tabellie was appointed to collect & receive the Monies on the Assessment for Division & Lombard Streets & Martin Morrison for Cheapside Streets.

[376] Ordered that the Clerk publish an Advertizement in all the public News Papers "That all Persons who have been employed in the City of New York in teaching the English Language between the

first Tuesday of April 1795 & the first Tuesday of April last past are requested to deliver into the Office of the Clerk of the said City on or before the first day of June next an Account on Oath of the number of Scholars taught by them respectively within the said Period and how long each of them were so taught and what Compensation has been received for the same."

Ordered that Matthew Bunce be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 17 vice Henry Whitifield dec^{d} & James Van Dine vice Sam^{l} Ackerly resigned

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	John Potterfield for notifying the Inhab^{ts} of the 5th W^{d} to clean Streets.....	£2:16:—
issued	David Marshall for interrments at Potters field.....	15:18:—
issued	W^{m} Sloo for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£7: 7: 6

The Street Committee reported "that in their Opinion the B^{d} ought to accept the Proposals of M^{r} Delafield of the 11th Ult^{o} And they further reported that they had endeavored to treat with Henry King for the purchase of the Corner Lot on Broad Way to widen Beaver Lane and that the lowest Sum he would take is £1500 & retain the Privilege of removing the Building;" Whereupon the B^{d} *the B^{d}* agreed to accept the proposals of M^{r} Delafield And ordered that a precept be issued purs^{t} to the Statute in such case made & provided for the summon^{s} & return^{s} a Jury to assess the Sum to be allowed to M^{r} King as a Recompence for the said Corner Lot

[377] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of May 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman Theoph^{s} Beekman Andrew Van Tuyl Robert Lenox Nich^{s} Bayard	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen Anth^{o} Post Nich^{s} Carmer Jotham Post Mangle Minthorne Thomas Storm

Assist^{ts}

Ordered that Joseph Francois Mangin be appointed a Surveyor of this City.

William Gilbert Collector of Taxes in the 2^{d} W^{d} laid before the B^{d} an Acc^{t} of Insolvents & also a counterfeit Bank Bill of 20 Dollars which he on Oath declares he received from some Person to him now

unknown in payment for the Tax in the said Ward & requesting that he may not be charged with the loss thereof Which Request was rejected by the Bd

Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordce to prohibit the sale of Horses at Auction in the vicinity of the Tontine Coffee House.

Ordered that George Copeland be permitted to sink a rain Water Cistern in the St in front of [his] House at the Old Slip under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the Wd

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine a Water Lot of John Jackson lately filled in on the East side of Fletcher Street and to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Building of Brick or Stone.

[378] Ordered that Wm B Ogden & John Gartsce be appointed to superintend the digging out filling in & paving of Division Street And Abraham Stagg Thomas Stagg & Robert Barnes for the like purpose of Lombard & Cheapside Streets.

Ordered that Joseph Smith be permitted to assign & transfer certain Parts of his Lot (held under Lease from this Corporation) on the West side of the Hudson Market to Peter Voorhis & Morris Smith.

Ordered that Aldn Van Tuyl have leave to lay a private Drain from his Lot in to the public Drain in Maiden Lane

And that Mr Mayor have leave to make a Vault under the Street and an Area at his new House in Dey Street

Ordered that Mr Harsen take Order for the building of a new Mud Scow by contract with the advice of the Aldn of the 1st 2d & 3d Wards

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 1st Wd & the Assistt of the 2d Wd be a Committee to treat with David Willis for a strip of his Lot at the Corner of Whitehall & Bridge Streets to improve the Street

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistant of each Ward employ a proper Person in their respective Wards to superintend the cleaning of the Streets & to employ Carts to remove the Dirt & Filth which may be collected.

Ordered that John Stagg be notified to compleat the Walks in the upper part of George Street in the 3d & 5th Wards & in Robinson Street.

Ordered that Jacob Valentine be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 12 vice Saml Bowne resigned.

[379] Resolved that the new Alms House be erected on the Rear of the Ground of the present Alms House And that Aldn Furman &

Lenox & Mr A Post be a Comtee to cause a Plan of the Ground & of the Buildgs to be made & to report the same to the Board

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 2d & 3d Wards be a Committee to locate a proper Piece of Ground for a place of Interrment & to treat with the Proprietor as to the Price & to report the same to the Bd

Ordered that Mr Mayor & Aldn Furman purchase the House & Lot belongs to the Estate of Nathl McKinley decd for the purpose of widening Wall Street at the South West Corner of the City Hall.

Ord[ered] that the Aldn & Assistt of the 5th & the Assist of the 6th Wards be a Committee to treat with the Proprietors of the Lots which will be required for the continuing of Banckers Street into Pearl Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Garret Harsen on Acct towards paving in the Fields....		£100:—:—
issued	The same for Repairs to the Ct Roome.....		£3:13: 1
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....		£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....		£85: 4: 6
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary.....	£20:—:—	21:—:—
	the same for sweeping Chimnies.....	1:—:—	
issued	Clerks of the late Election.....		£40:—:—

[380] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23d day of May 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nichs Bayard
Andrew Van Tuyl
Theophs Beekman
Robert Lenox
Gabriel Furman
Cornls C Roosevelt
John Campbell
} Esqrs Aldn

Nichs Carmer
Garret Harsen
Anthony Post
Mangle Minthorne
Jotham Post
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

A Petition of the Proprietors of Lots on that part of Ann Street which is continued thro' Whites Ground to the Broad Way for a Regulation of that Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistant of the Ward.

The Clerk according to order presented a Law to prohibit the selling of Horses in certain Parts of Wall Street & Water St which was read & passed by the Board

Ordered that Mr Harsen with the Aldn & Assist of the 4th Wards contract for the sinking of a new Block at the Corporation Wharf North River.

A Petition of Peter Stuyvezandt for a Grant of the Soil from High to low Water Mark in the East River opposite to his Land in the 7th Ward was read & referred to the Committee on Quit Rents.

A Petition of Jaspar Stanton that he may be permitted to Measure Lime in the East as well as North River; was read & rejected

A Petition of David Willis on the Subject of the Line of his Lot at the Corner of White Hall and Bridge Streets; was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt [381] of the 1st & the Assistt of the 2d Wards.

An Ordinance for the paving of Greenwich Street from the South side of Murray Street to the north side of Reade Street was read & passed by the Board

A Petition of Isaac Gouverneur for a new Regulation of Governeurs Alley was read & referred to the Street Comtee

A Petition of Ebenezer Stevens & others on the subject of the Quit Rents intended to be reserved on the new Grants of Water Lots was read and then the Committee on that Subject delivered in a Report which was read & agreed to by the Board as follows vizt

"The Committee appointed for that Purpose report That in their Opinion the Quit Rent to be reserved on the Grants of the Corporation Water Lots or Land under Water ought to be according to the following Rates, that is to say. Upon all Grants of Lots of two hundred feet in length between Coenties Slip and Catharine Slip at the Rate of five Shillings a foot for each foot in Breadth; and upon all Grants of the like Lots between Catharine Slip & Rutgers Slip at the Rate of three Shillings a foot for the first ten Years and four Shillings a foot for the second ten Years and five Shillings a foot for ever thereafter; And upon all Grants of the like Lots between Rutgers Slip and Ivers Dock at the Rate of two Shillings a foot for the first ten Years and three Shillings a foot for the second ten Years and four Shillings a foot for the third ten Years and five Shillings a foot for ever thereafter; And upon all Grants [382] of the like Lots between Ivers Dock and the East Point of Corlaers Hook at the Rate of one Shilling a foot for the first ten Years and two Shillings a foot for the second ten Years and three Shillings a foot for the next five Years and then four Shillings a foot for five Years more and five shillings a foot for ever thereafter And if any such Lot shall exceed two hundred feet in length then there ought to be an encrease of the Quit Rent at the Rate aforesaid and if any such Lot shall be less than two hundred feet in length then there ought to be an abatement of the Quit Rent in the same proportion: But if any such Lot shall not be twenty feet in length exclusive of the new Street then no Quit Rent to be

reserved on such Lot; And that the Quit Rents to be reserved on the Grants of Lots of two hundred feet in length on Hudsons River ought to be one Shilling a foot for each foot in breadth for the first fifteen Years and two Shillings a foot for the second fifteen Years and three Shillings a foot for ever thereafter And if any Lot shall exceed two hundred feet there ought to be an encrease of Quit Rent at the same Rate and if any Lot shall be less than two hundred feet in length then there ought to be an abatement of the Quit Rent in the same proportion But the Committee are further of Opinion that no Grant of any Water Lot ought to be made until the Land between High & Low Water Mark opposite to such Lot is purchased of the Corporation: All which is submitted &c

Samuel Jones
Robt Lenox
Thomas Storm

[383] Ordered that James Johnson be appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood at Beekman Slip vice Duncan Campbell resigned.

Ordered that Anthony Oliver be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Compy No 2 vice David Johnson decd

And Uzziah Coddington to Engine No 14 vice John Fox resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Garret Harsen on Acct towards the new Block at the Corporation Wharf No River	£200:—:—
issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards the rebuilding of the Fly Market	£200:—:—
issued	John Porterfield for notifyg the Inhabitants of the 4th Wd to clean Sts	£4:16:—
issued	Daniel Burger for repairs to the public Wells & Pumps 7th Wd	£13: 2: 6
issued	John Clark for a pattern ferry Boat	£42: 3:—
issued	Casimir T: Gœrick for surveying & staking off the Lots on the Com: Lands	£114:13: 6

Mr Mayor reported to the Board that he & Aldn Furman had concluded a bargain with the Heirs & Devisees of Nathl McKinley decd & purchased from them the House & Lot at the Corner of Broad Street & Wall Street opposite the So West Angle of the City Hall at the Price of £800.

*On a reconsideration of the Conditions of Sale of the Common Lands the Board determined that the purchasor of a Lot should be entitled to the preferrence of a Lease of the adjoining Lot for twenty one Years on a moderate Rent

* Marginal note reads *See P. 342.*—ED.

[384] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of May 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	George Janeway	Assistts
Robert Lenox		Mangle Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	
Cornl C Roosevelt		Garret Harsen	
John Campbell		Nichs Carmer	
Theops Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Nichs Bayard		Anthony Post	

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Deed from the Devisees of Nathl McKinley decd for four fifths of the Corner Lot at the City Hall, the Deed for the remaining fifth is to be sent to Washington County to be executed by Alexr Crookshank & his Wife one of the said Devisees

Mr Mayor also laid before the Board a Deed from John Delafield for certain Grounds purchased of him by this Corporation for the purpose of Widening Beaver Lane

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer for the payment of the said consideration Money in the said Deeds mentioned vizt to Jno Delafield £2200 and to the Heirs of Nathl McKinley decd £800.

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for removing the Buildings & Materials off from the said Ground purchased of Mr Delafield as soon as may be.

[385] A Petition from several Inhabitants against placing any part of the Fly Market in front Street was read

Ordered that the Committee for rebuilding the Fly Market take order for disposing of the Materials of the old Building.

On reading a second Petition of Jaspar Stanton a Measurer of Lime it was ordered that the Measures of Lime may exercise that Business in both Rivers.

A Petition from several Persons complaining that the Persons appointed are paving Cheapside Street contrary to its Regulation was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward, who, if they find the complaint well founded, are to take order for rectifying it.

The Committee for the Purpose reported a Plan of the hew Alms House; which was approved of by the Board.

And it was ordered that the same Comtee take order for the building thereof, as to the Labor & Workmanship by Contract And that

they take the necessary Meas[s] for purchasing Materials and to appoint a proper Person for that Purpose and to superintend the erection of the House The Stories to be of the following Height viz[t] Cellar 9 feet—1[st] Story 10 feet. 2[d] 10 feet & 3[d] 9 feet.

Ordered that Leonard Bleecker be appointed to sell the Common Lands at Auction.

Ordered that Eleanor Van Bremer receive the Interest of W[t] issued the £60 deposited in the Treasury for the support of her Bastard Child

Ordered that M[r] Harsen cause the Corporation Wharf at the N[o] River to be repaired [386] instead of the sinking of a new Block

Ordered that Philip Buchannan be appointed a fireman to Engine N[o] 5 vice James Aymar dec[d]

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

issued	Thomas Hazard for subsist[g] Prisoners	£331: 0:10
issued	James Woods for Repairs to Lamps	41: 4: 3
issued	W[m] J Elsworth for light[g] Lamps	£66: 5: 8
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alex[r] Lamb for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	Daniel Burger for Repairs to Pumps 5[th] W[d]	£3: 6: 6

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

JUNE 6, 1796 TO DECEMBER 30, 1799

[1] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of June 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer	Assistts
Corns C Roosevelt		Garret Harsen	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Andrew Van Tuyl		George Janeway	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Jotham Post	
Nichs Bayard		Thomas Storm	

On a suggestion that the persons appointed are paving Cheapside Street in an unworkmanlike manner & with bad Materials

Ordered that the Alderman & Assistt of the Ward enquire into the Matter & if they find it true, that they stop the Work and the payment of any Monies thereon

A Petition of John Baker and a Petition of David Dickson & Co praying that the Common Lands which lie between their Lands & the Post Road may not be sold at Auction; but sold to them at private Sale was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the following vizt

6000	1d	£25:—:—
7000	2d	58: 6: 8
7000	3d	87:10:—
3 Sheets imperfect		—:18:—
		£171:14: 8

[2] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Benja Hunting for lamp Oil	£141:11: 9
issued	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps	£12:12: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of June 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Andrew Van Tuyl
Robert Lenox
Nichs Bayard
John Campbell
Cornes C Roosevelt
} Esqrs Aldn

Nichs Carmer
Garret Harsen
Anthony Post
George Janeway
Mangel Minthorn
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

A Letter from His Excellency the Governor to Mr Mayor proposing to purchase from this Board the Island called Bedlows Island as a place whereon to erect a Lazaretto for the reception of Persons inflicted with contagious Fevers; was read and the Board determined that a Grant be made of the said Island to the People of the State of New York (for the consideration of five Shillings) for the purpose of erecting such Lazaretto & for such other purposes as the Legislature shall from time to time direct

A Petition for filling up the Exchange Slip was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the Wd to enquire & report what proportion of the Expence the Neighborhood will bear.

[3] On reading a Petition for the purpose

Ordered that a Well may be sunk in such part of Thomas Street as the Aldn & Assist of the Ward shall direct

A Petition for paving Murrays Wharf was read & referred to the Street Committee

The Corner Lot on Pearl Street and State Street belonging to this Corporation & occupied by Gardiner Baker as a Menage for keeping Wild Annimals being complained of as a Nuisance Ordered that he remove those Annimals and deliver up the said Lot in clean & good Order by the 15th July next

The Board on consideration of the Subject Determined that John B Coles should pay the Sum of five Pounds annually for the privilege of erecting his Dam & Bridge on the Corporation Right of Soil between High & Low Waters Mark in Harlem River and also for the Injury which may arise by overflowing the said Soil between High & Low Water Mark provided always and the above Privilege is upon the express Condition that Mr Coles and his Assigns do make and keep in Repair at their own proper Cost & charge the Road leading across the said Soil between High & Low Water to the said Dam or Bridge

Ordered that Samuel Mellis & Marinus Gale be appointed Fire Men to Engine N° 15 vice Jonas Humbert displaced for neglect of Duty & George Schmelzel resigned.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts to pay

issued	Cath^n Simmons for the Expences of canvassing the Votes of the late Election of Assembly Men.....	£45: 1: 6
issued	Corn^s C Van Alen & C° for printing.....	13: 5: 7
issued	[4] Matthew Byrnes for notifying Inhabit^ts of 1^st W^d to clean Streets.....	£5: 4:—
issued	The same for the like in the 2^d W^d.....	£6:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alex^r Lamb for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20^th day of June 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^r Recorder

Esq^rs Ald^n: Theophilus Beekman, Andrew Van Tuyl, Gabriel Furman, Robert Lenox, Corn^s C Roosevelt, John Campbell, Nicholas Bayard

Assist^ts: Anthony Post, Nicholas Carmer, Garret Harsen, Jotham Post, Mangle Minthorn, Thomas Storm

Mess^rs Jones, Leary, Hardenbrook, Peter P. Van Zandt, Dickson Stockholm & C° and Doctor Baker having by their respective Petitions prayed that this Board would sell to them the Common Lands which lay between their respective Lands & the Post Road at private Sale at such average Price as the Board should judge reasonable; which the Board agreed to The Board proceeded to consider of the subject and determined that the Price be as follows viz^t

[5] Those to Leary & Jones at the Price of £160 per Acre with a quit Rent reserved of one bushel of Wheat per Acre per Annum for ever.

Those to John Hardenbrook at £200 per Acre with the like Quit Rent reserved

Those to Peter P Van Zandt £200 per Acre with the like Quit Rent reserved

Those to Dickson Stockholm & C° at £145 per Acre with the like Quit Rent reserved

And those to D^r Baker at £160 per Acre with the like Quit Rent reserved

The Board then proceeded to ascertain & fix the annual Rent on the several Lots of the Common Lands remaining unsold & which agreable to the Conditions of the sale of the Common Lands lately made are to be leased for the Term of 21 Years to the purchasor of each adjoining Lot, and the Rents were determined to be as follows viz[t]

On each Lot west of the eastermost Road through the Commons £4—On each Lot north of the Dove Tavern & between the said eastermost Road & the Post Road £6. The Lessees to bear & pay all Taxes & all expences of making & paving all the Roads & Streets adjoining the said Lots respectively.

A Request of the Commissioners appointed for the erection of the State Prison for a Grant of the Soil between High & low Waters Mark on Hudsons River opposite to two Acres of Land by them purchased of [6] *of* Abijah Hammond to erect the said State Prison on, was read & granted for the consideration of five Shillings.

A Petition for the filling up of the Old Slip to the south side of front Street was read & granted on Condition that the neighborhood fill it up at their private Expence—the Bulkhead or Wharf to be at the public Expence.

On a representation of Gardiner Baker on the subject of the Order for his removal [of] the wild Animals from the Lot at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets

Ordered that the said Order be suspended 'till the further Order of this Board.

A Petition for regulating & digging out of Harman Street from George S[t] to Charlotte Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a Petition Ordered that the Inhabitants in Reade Street have permission to sink a Well in such part of the Street as the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward shall direct.

A Petition of Jacob Odel to purchase of the Common Lands at private Sale was read & postponed.

Ordered that the Committee on the new Alms House be authorized to employ a Person to superintend the Workmen & to keep a Check and that in all Contracts they take security.

An Estimate & Assessm[t] for the new paving of Gold Street was read & ratified by the B[d] And Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies & Arthur Smith to pave the s[d] Street

[7] An Ordinance for the paving of Bancker S[t] from Roosevelt Street to Catharine Street was read & passed by the Board

Ordered that Cornelius Brinckerhoff be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 5 vice W^m Pinckney resigned.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treas^r to pay.

issued	Nich^s Carmer on Acc^t towards rebuilding the Fly Market	£400:—:—
issued	Willson Rawson for lamp Oil	£464: 2:—
issued	Matthew Dyckman for Repairs to Pumps	£8: 3:—
issued	Jotham Post for remov^g Engine H^s N° 17	£8:11: 3
issued	John Stagg for repair^g Pavement at the Pump in Barclay S^t	£0:13: 9
issued	The same for Mason Work & Materials at the Goal	

[8] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27^th day of June 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^r Recorder

Theoph^s Beekman		Jotham Post
Corn^s C Roosevelt		Anthony Post
Gabriel Furman		George Janeway
John Campbell	Esq^rs Ald^n	Nicholas Carmer
Robert Lenox		Thomas Storm
Andrew Van Tuyl		Mangel Minthorn

Assist^ts

Ordered that the Ald^n & Assist^t of the 2^d Ward be a Committee to take Order for the sinking of a new Bulkhead at the Old Slip

Ordered that M^r Harsen & M^r Carmer be appointed to superintend the Building of the new Alms House and that they be allowed sixteen Shillings per day to be divided between them in proportion to their respective Services and that it be their Duty to settle the Accounts of the Workmen weekly.

The Board took into consideration Edward Livingstons proposal to remove the Artillery Store from its present position. And thereupon agreed & determined that he be permitted to remove the present wooden Building on his engaging to erect another in its stead on the Rear of his Ground of Stone & Brick covered with Slate in such manner & of such Size as the Ald^n of the first & second Wards & the Assist^t of the first Ward shall approve.

[9] The following Report of the Street Com^tee as the Regulation of Ann Street from Broad Way to Nassau Street was agreed to by the Board viz^t

"Ascent from the Kennel in Chatham Row to the distance of 295 feet and descent to the Kennel in Nassau Street two Inches on 10 feet. In consequence it will require digging at the extent of 100

feet from the Kennel in Chatham Row feet Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further feet Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further Inches & so till it terminates at the Kennel in Nassau Street"

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared for paving the said Street accordingly

On reading a Petition of Daniel & W^m Thorne James Manning & Harsin & Caverley

Ordered that John Stagg, George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine their respective Lots of Ground lately filled in at the Albany Bason & to determine whether they will bear foundations for Buildings of Stone or Brick & covered with Slate or Tile.

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz^t

"The Committee to whom the Memorial of Henry Kip & others with Proposals to settle and adjust the boundary Lines between the Corporation and the Claimants of the Land called the Negroes Burying Ground was referred Report that they have conferred [10] with the Memorialists & Claimants of the said Land and recommend to the Board to agree with them on the follow^g Terms viz^t

1^st That the Measure mentioned in the Patent to Cornelius Van Borssom for the said Land dated the 14^th day of October 1673 so far as the Corporation is interested be deemed English Statute Measure.

II^d That a Street sixty five feet wide to remain a public Street forever be laid out & opened opposite to Chambers Street and to extend from the Broad Way to the East side of George Street as the same is delineated on the Map herewith delivered and from thence to the West side of Augustus Street to the Place there marked ✗ on the said Map.

III^d That the Claimants of the said Land called the Negroes Burying Ground release & convey all their Estate Right Title & Interest of and in the said Land so to be laid out for a Street and of & in all the said Land to the southwestward thereof to the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York and their Successors; the said Land so to be laid out as a Street to remain for the use of a public Street forever and the said Land on the southwest of the said Street so to be laid out to be and remain to the only proper use & behoof of the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York and their Successors forever And that the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York, as [11] soon as

such Conveyance is made and delivered to them by the said Claimants all the Estate Right Title & Interest of this Corporation of & in such Part of the Land included in the said Patent as lays to the Northeastward of the said Street so to be laid out.

IV^th^ In order to compensate the said Claimants for the Land so to be conveyed to the Corporation and for what is to be given by them for the said Street more than is given by the Corporation for that purpose that the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York also release and convey to the said Claimants and their Heirs or to such Person or Persons and their Heirs as the said Claimants shall direct all the Estate Right Title & Interest of this Corporation of and in all that Parcel of Land on the northwesterly side of Augustus Street—Bounded southeasterly by Augustus Street, southwesterly by the said Street so to be laid out Northwesterly by the said Land called the Negroes Burying Ground and northeasterly by Land now or late belonging to George Janeway And also of & in and to all those Lots on the southeasterly side of Augustus Street distinguished in the Map by Lots N° 27 & 28.

V^th^ As by allowing English Measure the said Patent will include some Lands which have been leased by this Corporation and are now possessed as well as the Land to be conveyed to the said Claimants as a Compensation [12] as aforesaid under Leases from this Corporation, none of which Leases ought to be affected by this Agreement Therefore the said Re Leases and Conveyances so to be made by the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York are to be subject to all such Lease and Leases as any Person or Persons may now have or be entitled to on any part of the said Land from or under the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York during the Continuance of such Leases respectively, but the Rents due or to grow due thereon to become payable to the Person or Persons to whom the said Land shall be released or conveyed as aforesaid.*

All which is submitted to the Board by

Samuel Jones
John Campbell"

Ordered that M^r^ Mayor issue his Warr^ts^ on the Treasurer to pay

issued Nicholas Carmer on Acc^t^ towards the new Alms House. £1000:—:—

issued The same for the Workman on laying the first Corner Stone of the s^d^ Build^g^..... £10:—:—

* Marginal note reads *see 19th July next P. 31.*—ED.

issued	Morris Alhart for Iron Work to the Goal.....	£0:16:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth for lights the City Lamps.....	£66:14:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6

An Ordinance for raising a certain Alley or Gang Way fronting Pecks Slip Street in the 3d Ward so as to prevent the Nuisance occasioned by its sunken situation below the Street was passed by the Board and it was ordered that a Copy be delivered to the Commissioners of the Health Office.

[13] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of July 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Cornls C Roosevelt Theophs Beekman Andrew Van Tuyl John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Jotham Post Thomas Storm Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Mangel Minthorn

Assists

On reading a Petition of John Sullivan Ordered that no Person be allowed to erect any Building on the outer part of their Grants, which was heretofore reserved for a public Street or Wharf, until the new Street* of 70 feet wide on the River in front of the River be compleatly made & passable.

Petitions for & against the raising of the Alley or Gang Way fronting on Pecks Slip Street agreable to the Order of the 27th Ulto were read & referred to the Aldn & Assists of the 3d & 5th Wards to enquire into & it was ordered that the Order of the 27th Ulto on that subject be in the meantime suspended

A Petition of James Davidson to store the quantity of Tar allowed by Law to lay in the Street, in his Cellar was read & rejected

On a representation from the Commissrs of the Health Office An Ordinance was passed [14] by the Board "for removing certain Articles of Dirt & Filth collected for the purpose of Manure & deposited on a Piece of Ground belonging to the Heirs of Hendrick Rutgers decd in the seventh Ward."

And it was ordered that the Ground in the 6th Ward formerly used or intended as a Reservoir for the Water Works be appropriated as a Place to deposit the Dirt & Filth taken out of the Streets

* Marginal note reads *South Street*.—ED.

An Ordinance " for the more effectual removal of the Dirt & Filth from the Streets in this City " was read & passed by the Board; which together with such parts of the Street Law as respects the cleaning of the Streets, were ordered to be published in all the News Papers.

An Ordinance for the paving of Ann Street was read & passed by the Board

The Street Committee reported the following Regulations for the follow^{g} Streets which were agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

Regulation of Chambers Street from the Broad Way to the extent of the Grants in Hudsons River.

Descent from Broad Way to the extent of the Grants 1 $^{8}/_{10}$ of an Inch on 10 feet It will therefore require digging at the Intersection of Church Street 2 feet 7 Inches at the Intersection of Chappel Street 1 foot 11 Inches, at the Intersection of Greenwich Street 3 feet 7 Inches at the Intersection of Washington Street 2 feet 1 Inch [15] and at the extent of the Grants to be raised 4 feet above common High Water mark

Reade Street.

Descent from Broad Way to the extent of the Grants 1 $^{7}/_{10}$ Inch on 10 feet—Agreably it will require digging at the Intersection of Church Street 6 Inches—at the Intersection of Chappel Street 11 Inches—at the Intersection of Greenwich Street 2 feet—at the Intersection of Washington Street 9 Inches & at the extent of the Grants to be raised 4 feet above Common High Water Mark.

Greenwich Street from Murray to Reade Streets.

Ascent from the northern Kennel in Murray Street with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the southern Kennel of Warren Street thence 39 feet across Warren Street with a dead level to the northern Kennel of Warren Street—thence descending 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the southern Kennel of Chambers Street—thence 39 feet distance with a dead level to the northern Kennel of Chambers Street—thence ascending 128 feet distance and descending 68 feet distance 1½ Inch of 10 feet to Reade Street. Agreably it will require raising at the extent of 110 feet distance from the northern Kennel in Murray Street 1 foot 3 Inches from whence it will terminate at the Kennel in Warren Street thence at the extent of 99 feet distance from the northern Kennel in Warren Street it will require digging 2 Inches—thence at the Intersection of Chambers Street [16] 3 feet 7 Inches—thence at the extent of 75 feet 6 Inches distance from the northern Kennel in Chambers Street 1 foot 11 Inches & at the Intersection of Reade Street 2 feet."

Cherry Street from the eastern Kennel in Catharine Street to the center of Clinton Street—thence southerly along Clinton Street to Water Street—thence along Water Street to Crown Point Street and thence along Crown Point Street to the extent of John Youle's Ground. Ascent from the Kennel in Catharine Street to the distance of 375 feet and Descent to the distance of 215 feet 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Intersection of George Street—agreably it will require raising 4 Inches at the extent of 150 feet distance from the eastern Kennel in Catharine Street thence at the extent of 100 feet further 2 feet 3 Inches—thence at the extent of 75 feet further it will remain as it now is & at the Intersection of George Street it will require raising 2 feet from George Street to Charlotte Street Ascent in a distance of 313 feet and descent 273 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Charlotte Street—agreably it will require raising 2 feet 7 Inches at the extent of 90 feet from the intersection of George Street—thence at the extent of 150 feet further 7 feet—thence at the extent of 150 feet further 6 feet 9 Inches and at the Intersection of Charlotte Street it will remain as it now is in front of William Bedlows House.

[17] From Charlotte to Rutgers Street

Ascent in a distance of 315 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet and descent in a distance of 315 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to Rutgers Street—agreably it will require to be raised 2 feet 6 Inches—at the extent of 190 feet from Charlotte Street—thence at the extent of 125 further 1 foot 5 Inches and at the intersection of Rutgers 1 foot 6 Inches.

From Rutgers to Washington Street

Ascent in a distance of 212 feet 6 Inches & descent the same distance with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Washington Street—agreably it will require to be raised 3 feet 9 Inches at the extent of 150 feet from Rutgers Street & at the Intersection of Washington Street 4 feet 5 Inches.

From Washington to Clinton Street

Ascent from Washington to Clinton Street with .3 Inches on 10 feet—thence descent southerly along Clinton Street with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the Intersection of Water Street—Agreably it will require to be raised 9 Inches at the extent of 160 feet from Washington Street—thence at the extent of 100 feet further it will require digging 3 Inches and at the Intersection of Clinton Street it will remain as it now is And the Intersection of Clinton & Water Street will require digging 4 feet.

From Clinton Street to a new Street not named

[18] Ascent with 3 7/10 Inches on 10 feet—Agreably the said new Street will require digging 15 feet.

From the said new Street to the Intersection of Montgomery Street Ascent in a distance of 117 feet and descent in a distance of 187 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet. Agreably Montgomery Street will require to be dug 4 feet

From Montgomery to Scammel Street Descent with 2 Inches on 10 feet. Agreably it will require to be raised 1 foot 11 Inches at the extent of 220 feet from Montgomery Street—thence at the extent of 200 feet further 7 feet 4 Inches & at the Intersection of Scammel Street 2 feet.

From Scammel Street ascent with 5 Inches on 10 feet to the extent of John Youles Ground in order to meet the remaining part of said Street in its present Situation. July 8th 1796"

Ordinances for paving Chambers Street & Reade Street were then read & passed by the Board. An Ordinance for paving Greenwich Street was passed 23d May last

Also for the digging out & filling in the several Streets above mentioned.

Mr Mayor mentioned to the Board a Proposal of Mr Mangin to make a general Survey & Plan of all the Streets in this City; which was referred to the Street Committee to confer with him on the subject.

[19] The Board having been informed that the french Republic stood in no further need of the use of Bedlows Island An[d] His Excellency the Governor having been pleased to represent to the Board that the Commissioners of the Health Office had determined the same to be the most proper Place for the erection of a Lazaretto: And this Board having thereupon agreed to grant & surrender the said Island to the People of the State of New York for those Purposes.

Therefore resolved that the Consul of the french Republic be respectfully informed that the Season renders it necessary that immediate preparation should be made by the Commissioners of the Health Office for the comfortable Reception & accommodation of such sick Persons as they may find it necessary to send there And to that end that he be requested to give the necessary Orders for the speedy removal of the Buildings & Materials erected & placed there at the Expence of the french Republic.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards new Alms Hs.....	£2000:—:—
issued	The same on Acct towards Fly Market.....	£500:—:—
issued	Garret Harsen on Acct towds Mud Scow.....	£200:—:—
issued	David Marshall for superintendg Potters field buryal Ground	£21: 0: 6
issued	Joseph Titus for repairg Fence where the Engine Hs stood in Cherry Street.....	£2:12: 4
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	[20] Catharine Simmons for a public Dinner on the 4th July Inst.....	£40:13:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for the Expences of the Constables & Marshalls & for the Sextons ringing the Bells on that day	£23: 4:—
issued	Cortlandt Van Bueren for Gun Powder for the Militia on that day.....	£61:—:—
issued	Ogden & Gartsee for repairg Pavemt at the fly Market..	£13: 0: 6
issued	Goodeve & Brown for Candles.....	£2:18: 4
issued	Mary Fox for a lost fire Bucket.....	£0:16:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor with the Treasr negociate (on behalf of this Board) a loan of 10,000 Dollars with the Bank of New York until Monies for the present public Purposes are collected by the Tax.

The two followg Ordinances were then read & passed by the Board & ordered to be published in the News Papers. vizt

"A Law for removing certain Articles of Filth & Dirt collected for the purpose of Manure & deposited on a Piece of Ground belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Henry Rutgers decd in the seventh Ward"

"A Law for the more effectual removing of the Dirt & Filth from the Streets in the City of New York."

[21] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 12th day of July 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl John Campbell Theophs Beekman Cornls C Roosevelt Gabriel Furman	} Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Nichs Carmer Thomas Storm Jotham Post George Janeway Anthony Post	} Assistts

Mr Mayor communicated to the Board the Opinion of the Health Officer & others that the sickness which has lately arisen in the neigh-

borhood of the Whitehall was probably occasioned by the late filling in of the new Street* of 70 feet wide on the East River with Filth & Materials tending to produce putrifaction As also from the sunken state of many of the Lots in that Quarter.

Whereupon the following Ordinances were read & passed by the Board & ordered to be published in all the News Papers & in hand Bills to be served on the Owners or Occupants of the said Lots respectively"

"A Law for raising the new Street of 70 feet wide lately laid out & made fronting on the East River between Whitehall Slip & Moore Street in the 1st Ward."

"A Law to prevent the danger arising to the [22] Health of the Inhabitants from the present sunken State of certain Lots of Ground situate in the first Ward between the Whitehall Slip & Moore Street."

"A Law for raising a certain Lot of Ground in the Occupation of John Remsen in the first Ward."

"A Law for raising a certain Lot of Ground belonging to the Heirs of Samuel Nicoll decd on which a Store House is erected & now in the Occupation of Daniel Thorne & William Thorne."

A Petition of Daniel Tooker & Nichs Anthony complaining that Joseph Rose refuses to pay towards the Common Sewer in the neighborhood of Ferry Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Asstt of the 5th Wd

[23] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of July 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Asststs
Theophs Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Nicholas Bayard		Mangle Minthorn	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Anthony Post	
John Campbell		Jotham Post	

A Letter from Henry Rutgers on the subject of raising the Bulk heads of George & Charlotte Slips; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of George Bowne & others of the neighborhood of Beekman's Slip was read And thereupon the Board determined that

* Marginal note reads *South Street.*—ED.

if the neighborhood will fill up the said Slip at their own Expence this Board will provide for the Expence of a Bulkhead across the front of it.

On a Complaint that Martin Morrison delays collecting the Monies assessed for digging out George Street

Ordered that he be informed that unless he exerts himself in the Business he will be considered answerable for the Monies which remain uncollected.

[24] The Street Committee reported on the subject of a Pier in the middle of Coenties Slip Whereupon the Board determined it inexpedient to grant or engage to bear any part of the Expence of the said Pier: But on a suggestion that Monies to a certain amount had been subscribed by the neighborhood towards the Expence & therefore that they wished to proceed in the Business as far as those Monies will go if the Board approve the Plan and consent to the Measure; which said plan & proposition was approved & agreed to by the Board.

On a Report from the Members of this Board that there still remained several Parts of the City which required to be filled up & raised to render it healthy; Ordinances for the following purposes were passed & ordered to be published & printed in Hand Bills viz[t]

"For raising the new Street* of 70 feet wide on the East River from the West side of Moore Street to the Exchange Slip"

"For removing certain Articles collected for Manure & deposited on the said Street"

"For raising the Lots between Moore S[t] & the Exchange Slip"

"For the like with respect to the Lots between De Peyster Street & the Fly Market Slip"

"And for the like as to the follow[g] Lots in the 5[th] Ward viz[t]

A Lot in Cherry Street occupied by the Widow of George Fisher. dec[d]

Three Lots in Water Street—one the property of Bellamy & Adams, one other in the Occupation of Stephen Dutch & the other of John Bruce.

[25] Two Lots in James's Street—one in the occupation of Nich[s] C Bogert & the other of John O Roosevelt Van Ranst

And two Lots in Banckers Street—one in the Occupation of Barnewall and Armstrong—the other of Thom[s] Fisher."

The following Report of the Street Committee for the Regulation

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of Batavia Lane in the 5th Wd was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

Ascent in a distance of 120 feet from the Kennel in Roosevelt Street 1½ Inch on 10 feet and Descent in a Distance of 240 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Kennel in James's Street. Agreably it will require raising 1 foot 11 Inches at the extent of 50 feet from the Kennel in Roosevelt Street—thence at the extent of 64 feet further 3 feet 1 Inch—thence at the extent of 86 feet further 1 foot 11 Inches —thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot 2 Inches & so 'till it terminates in the Kennel of James's Street."

An Ordinance for the paving of the said Street was then passed accordingly

The following Report of the Street Committee for regulating the following Streets was read & approved by the Board viz[t]

Regulation of Bayard Street from the Bowery Road to the proposed Canal.

Descent from the present Regulation of the Bowery Road along Bayard Street 2 $^{9}\!/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet. Agreably thereto [26] it will require digging at the Intersection of Elizabeth Street 1 foot 3 Inches. At the Intersection of Winne Street 11 feet 4 Inches At the Intersection of Catharine Street 8 feet 5 Inches—At the Intersection of Mary Street it will require to be raised 13 feet 10 Inches And the Meadow at the proposed Canal 5 feet.

Regulation of Mulberry & part of Catharine Streets, from Chatham Street to Bayard Street.

Descent from Chatham Street along Mulberry Street to cross Street with 1½ Inch on 10 feet—Agreably thereto it will require digging 9 Inches at the extent of 100 feet from the Kennel in Chatham Street—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 11 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 1 foot 5 Inches and at the Intersection of Cross Street 3 feet; this will give a Descent of 1 $^{6}\!/_{100}$ Inch on 10 feet along Cross Street 'till it meets the Regulation of Orange Street. Thence ascending along Mulberry Street & Catharine Street with 2 $^{4}\!/_{100}$ Inch on 10 feet to Bayard Street. Agreable thereto it will require digging 3 feet 5 Inches at the extent of 100 feet from the center of Cross Street—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 7 feet 5 Inches—thence at the extent of 32 feet further (being the beginning of Catharine Street) 6 feet 4 Inches—Thence at the extent of 100 feet further [27] 4 feet 9 Inches—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 5 feet—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 6 feet 6 Inches and at the Intersection of Bayard Street 8 feet 5 Inches.

Regulation of Chatham Square from James Street to the Head of Catharine Street.

Ascent from James Street to the Head of Catharine Street 3 $^{88}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet Agreably thereto at the entrance of Mott Street it will require digging 5 feet 9 Inches.

Regulation of Mott Street & part of Winne Street from the above regulation of Chatham Square to the proposed Regulation of Bayard Street.

Ascent from this Regulation of Chatham Square in a distance of 478 feet and descent in a distance of 238 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to Bayard Street Agreably thereto it will require digging 7 feet 8 Inches at the extent of 130 feet from Chatham Square—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 15 feet 10 Inches—thence at the extent of 140 feet further at the Intersection of Cross Street 12 feet 10 Inches —thence at the extent of 65 feet further 10 feet 4 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further at the Intersection of Pell Street it will require raising 11 Inches thence at the extent of 80 feet further 8 feet thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot 1 Inch and at the intersection of Bayard Street it will require digging 11 feet 4 Inches.

[28] Regulation of Pell Street from the Bowery Road to the Intersection of Mott Street

Ascent from the Kennel in the Bowery Road in a distance of 120 feet and descent in a distance of 340 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the Intersection of Mott Street—Agreably thereto it will require raising at the extent of 100 feet from the Kennel in the Bowery Road 4 feet—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 6 feet—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 5 feet 7 Inches & at the Intersection of Mott Street 11 Inches "

And Ordinance for paving Mulberry Street And for digging out & filling in the other Streets as above regulated were then read & passed by the Board.

The Mayor Recorder & Aldermen above named then proceeded to examine the Tax Lists delivered in by the Assessors of the respective Wards and after fixing the Quotas of the Sums to be raised caused the Poundage or Sums to be paid by each Persons therein named to be carried out & set opposite to their respective Names,

Ordered that John Pritchet be appointed a Fire Man to Engine N° 8 vice John Lamb removed from this City

[29] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 19th July 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Nicholas Bayard John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Nichs Carmer Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post Garret Harsen Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Letter from Dr Richard Bayley to Mr Mayor of this date on the Subject of a Ship just arrived with 450 emigrant Passengers on Board, the immediate landing of whom in this City is considered dangerous as well to the Health of the said Emigrants as to the Citizens at large at this extreme hot Season & therefore suggesting the propriety of this Corporation's making some Provision for their subsistence a few Days; And a Letter from Messrs Hamilton & Harison to Dr Bayley containing their Opinion on the Health Office Law as it respects the above Subject were respectively read & filed.

Whereupon the Board determined to grant the Sum of 800 Dollars towards subsisting the said Passengers during the time of their Quarentine & to be applied to that use by the Commissrs of the Health Office or so much thereof as to them may appear necessary.

[30] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay the said Sum to Robert Bowne Treasr of the Commissrs of the Health Office accordingly

issued

The follows Case was then stated for the Opinions of Messrs Hamilton, Harison & Troup thereon vizt

"A Vessel has lately arrived in the Port of New York with four hundred & fifty Emigrants from Newry in Ireland on Board. It is supposed that it will be dangerous to permit them to land in the City and that it is proper the Vessel should perform Quarentine: But many of these Emigrants are unable to support themselves and without some assistance will probably suffer for want of Necessaries; Your Opinion is therefore requested.

1st Whether the Corporation of the City of New York are by Law bound to provide for & support Persons in such Circumstances?

2d If the Corporation are not who is bound to support them? and

3dly What will be prudent for the Corporation to do in the present Case all Circumstances considered?

The Board taking into consideration what further Measures were necessary towards the furthering of the Business of raising & filling up the Streets & Lots between the Exchange & Whitehall Slips & in other Parts of this City; and thereupon

Resolved that a Committee of this Board be appointed to enquire into the Progress [31] made by the Proprietors of the Lots pursuant to the several Ordinances lately passed by this Board on the subject and if it shall appear to the Committee that the Aid of this Board is necessary to forward the filling & raising of the said Streets & Lots and thereby prevent the noxious Vapours which are supposed to endanger the Health of the Inhabitants at this Season of the Year and, if in the Judgment of the Committee they shall conceive the necessity of the Case to require it, that they be authorized to employ as many Carts as may be usefull in the Business and to take such further Measures in the Premisses as their Judgment & Prudence shall direct

Ordered that Ald^{n} Furman & Beekman & Mess^{rs} Storm Harsen & J Post be the Committee

*A Letter from Isaac Van Vleck to M^{r} Recorder was read & filed And thereupon the Board determined that if the Proprietors, of the Land called the Negro's buryal Ground North of Alms House & Bridewell will on or before the first day of May next surrender to this Board all their Ground south of Chambers Street this Board will release to them the Lot N^{o} 26 on the southerly side of Augustus Street in addition to the Lots reported by the Committee on the 27th June last

[32] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th July 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl		Nich^{s} Carmer
Theophilus Beekman		Mangel Minthorne
Gabriel Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Jotham Post
Nich^{s} Bayard		Garret Harsen
Robert Lenox		George Janeway
		Thomas Storm
		Anthony Post

Assist^{s}

The follow^{g} written Opinion of Mess^{rs} Hamilton Harison & Troup on the Case stated at the last Meeting was read & filed viz^{t}

In answer to the Questions annexed We are of Opinion that whilst the Emigrants are performing Quarantine on board their Vessel the

* Marginal note reads *See Report Page. 9.*—ED.

Corporation are not bound to support them But they must be provided for by the Owners or Master of the Vessel, or themselves, according to the nature of the Contract under which they embarked for America. Yet if the Corporation should cause any of them to be landed under any Restraints or in any place except such as they themselves shall assign before their Quarentine is performed We think the Corporation would then be bound to support the Persons landed. Considering however the present Situation of the City, [33] the Distress to which those may be reduced on board of the Vessel who are without the Means of comfortable subsistance the Injury which may thereby be done to the Health of the others and the consequent Danger of having the Quarantine, at least in some Degree eluded We do not hesitate to say it will be prudent in the Corporation to contribute to the support of the Emigrants whilst they shall continue on Quarantine

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Robt Troup
Richd Harison
Alex. Hamilton

A Petition for filling up the Exchange Slip; was read & referred to Aldn Van Tuyl & the Assistts of the 1st & 4th Wards.

A Petition of John B Coles for a Road to be laid out to the Bridge erecting across Harlem River was read & referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Newton complaining of a noxious Well in the Brew House between Rector & Thames Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward to enquire into [&] take Order.

On a representation of Wm & S Robinson & Others An Ordinance was passed for raising & filling all the Lots on the South side of front Street & between the Wall Street Slip & De Peyster Street by the 15th Augt next.

An Ordinance was also passed for clearring a Certain Piece or Slip of Ground between Coenties Slip & the old Slip used as Passage from Water Street to front Street & for raising the same to a proper Height

[34] On the Request of John Rogers Ordered that he be permitted to make Vaults under the Street in front of his two Houses in Greenwich Street under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Wd

Ordered that Danl Hitchcock be permitted to frame Timber for a House in front of the old Slip till the 10th Augt next & then to clear the Street of all the Chips & rubbish.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Bancker Street was read &

ratified by the Board & Jonathan Conrey was appointed to collect the Monies & Charles Dougherty to pave the said Street—two Pence per foot to be returned to each Person assessed.

Nathaniel Fanning & Robert Fox are appointed Fire Wardens in the 7th Ward vice Hezekiah Ivers decd & Charles Wright removed

And William Cook a fire Man to Engine No 7th vice Elijah Cock resigned.

An Acct of James Culbertson of the Fines by him recovered on Suits agt sundry Persons on the Law for regulating Buildings, on which Acct the board settle a Ballce due to the Corporation of £74: 14: 11d which Mr Culbertson is directed to pay into the Treasury.

Ordered that the Assistant of the 1st Wd take order for removing a Nuisance from stagnant Water in Edgar Street And also the Nuisance on the Lot at the Corner of Whitehall & Market field Street

[35] Ordered that Mr Mayor & the Treasurer negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York on behalf of this Board for such Monies as the public E[x]igencies of the City shall require & the State of the Treasury shall render necessary not exceeding in the whole 10,000 Dollars.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards the new Alms House....	£3000: —: —
issued	The same on Acct towards the rebuilding of the Fly Market	£600: —: —
issued	Cornes B Sebring for Iron Work to the Gaol.....	£36: 14: 5
issued	Wm J Elsworth for lighting Lamps.....	£66: 14: —
issued	Wm Sloo for taking Fish for the Alms House & Bridewell	£20: —: —
issued	John Marschalk & others for copys & carrying out the Poundage on Tax Books.....	£28: 0: 6
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Thos Hazard for Repairs & two Watchmen at the Gaol	£54: 8: 11

[36] City of New York } At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 1st Augt 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	
Cornс C Roosevelt		Nichs Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	
Andrew Van Tuyl		Mangle Minthorn	
Nichs Bayard		Thomas Storm	

Mr Mayor with the other Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right. vizt

Those of the Alms House for the last Quarter amounts to.....	£2634: 6:11
Those of the Bridewell to.....	566:11: 6

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House.....	£3000:—:—
For the Bridewell.....	100:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr for the payment thereof. issued

An Estimate & Assessmt for paving Greenwich Street from No side of Murray Street to the So side of Reade Street was read & ratified [37] and John Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessmt & to superintend the paving of the said Street, on his entering into Bond with Security for the faithfull performance of the Business.

The like for Ann Street from Broadway to Nassau Street and Wm B Ogden & John Gartsen were appointed to collect & Superintend the paving as above.

Ordinances for paving Oister Pasty Lane & Lumber Street were passed by the Bd

A Regulation of Beaver Lane vizt Descent from Broadway to the Kennel in Greenwich Street eight Inches & 7/10 on feet was reported by the Street Comtee & approved. And an Ordinance for the paving it was then read & passed by the Bd

An Ordinance for paving the Street on both sides the Fly Market from Pearl St to Water Street was passed by the Bd

A Memorial complaining of the Filth at the lower end of Roosevelt Street Sewer & requesting the extension of it into the River; was read & referred to the Aldn Beekman & Van Tuyl & Mr J Post

A Petition for the opening of Francfort Street to its proper width was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the Wd with Mr Janeway.

On a Complaint that Nichs Smart Butcher has fraudulently affixed false Jewish Seals to Meat for sale in the public Market Ordered that he attend this Board at their next Meeting on Wednesday afternoon the 10th Inst to answer for his Conduct

Ordered that Peter Van Shriver be appointed a fireman to Engine No 11 vice John Murray resign'd And Gideon Waterbury to Engine No 17 vice Robt Johnson.

[38] The Committee to whom was referred the subject of filling up the Exchange Slip reported; And on the Question for filling up the said Slip the Bd being equally divided Mr Mayor declared himself in the Negative.

An Ordce requiring John Delafield to fill up the new 70 feet South Street laid out on the East River opposite to his Lots was read & passed by the Board

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Wm Sloo for conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£11:—:—
issued	Archd McLean for printg.....	£13:17: 3
issued	Abm Ross for riding Sand from Catharine Street.....	£3:12:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th day of Augt 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman, Andrew Van Tuyl, Cornt C Roosevelt, Nichs Bayard, Robert Lenox

Assistts: Nichs Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, George Janeway, Thomas Storm, Garret Harsen

A Grant & surrender of Bedlows Island to the People of the State of New York for the purpose of erecting thereon a Lazaretto and for such other [39] purposes as the Legislature shall from time to time direct; with a provisoe that when ever it shall no longer [be] used for those Purpose[s] it shall revert to & revest in this Corporation was

read & approved by the Board & it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Bd

Nichs Smart, Butcher attended agreable to the Order of last Meeting, & after the examination of one Witness on the part of the Complainant the hearing was postponed 'till next Meeting

The Board agree that they will accept a Deed with the usual Covenants & Warranty of Henry King for the House & Lot at the Corner of Beaver Lane & the Broad Way to widen that Street or Lane provided he enter into Recognizance to return the consideration Money £800 if any Claimant should recover back the Premisses by Reason of defect in Mr Kings Title.

A Petition of the Bakers complaining of the present Allowance to them by the prest Standard of the Assize of Bread; was read & referred to Aldn Van Tuyl & Lenox & Mr Harsen.

A Memorial of John Delafield & others for filling up the Exchange Slip; was read & rejected.

The Committee on the Petition for extending the Sewer of Roosevelt Street farther into the River to fill up the Lot where it now discharges the Filth & Water [40] Reported that in their Opinion the same ought to be extended & the Lot filled on the same Terms as other Slips have lately been permitted to be filled And that the Bd should bear the Expence of the Sewer & Bulkhead;"

Ordered that the consideration thereof be postponed.

A Petition of Nichs Van Antwerp & others for leave to pave the Street on the West side of Coenties Slip was read And the Street Committee were ordered to cause it to be regulated & to direct the paving of it accordingly.

On the Application of Treadwell Jackson

Ordered that John Stagg George Gosman John Moore James Robinson & John Day be appointed to examine his Lot lately filled in on the East River near the Crane Wharf & to determine whether it will bear a foundation for a Buildg of Stone or Brick.

An Ordinance for digging & filling the Broad Way from the North side of Murray Street to the North side of Reade Street was passed by the Board

Ordered that Joseph Williams be appointed a fireman to Engine No 11 vice Wm Bush resigned And Henry Aubick & John Crooker to No 12 vice Adam Mount & John Bogart resigned.

Ordered that Alexr Hamilton be required without delay to cause the Lot at the Corner of Marketfield Street & Broad Way to be cleared of Filth & so raised as to prevent its continuing to be a Nuisance

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Nichs Carmer on acct towds New Alms Hs.....	£3000:—:—
issued	[41] John Porterfield for notifying Inhabts of the 4th Wd to clean the Streets.....	£6:—:—
issued	Wm Marrenner for Expences of the Road Committee at his House	£5: 6: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Benja Taylor for Surveys Streets.....	£19:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of Augt 1796

Present/ Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Theophilus Beekman		Jotham Post	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Cornes C Roosevelt		Nicholas Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	

A Petition of William M Smith to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed.

A Petition of James Young Butcher for a stand in the Fly Market was read & postponed

On reading a Petition of Henry Willets & others Ordered that the Watchmen patrol every Night through Cherry Street, Cathn Street, Bancker Street Oliver Street & James's Street and round the new Alms House.

A Petition of Isaac Van Vleck & others for a new Regulation of the Broad way from the South side of Murray Street northward was read & referred to the Aldn of the first & the Assists of the 4th & 6th Wards. And thereupon it was.

Ordered that the Ordinance for digging & filling in that Street passed the 10th Instant be repealed.

On further consideration of the subject of Complaint agt Nichs Smart, Butcher it was ordered that his Licence be suppressed.

[42] Ordered that the Aldn of the respective Wards direct the number of the Ward to be painted on Scavengers Carts in like manner as those of the Cartmen

A Petition of a number of Persons Proprietors of Lots of Ground fronting Barley St Catharine Street & a new Street not named in the sixth Ward praying that the said Lots may be filled up so as to prevent Pools of Water remaining thereon stagnent & dangerous to the

Health of the neighborhood, was read & referred to the Aldn of the 4th & the Assistts of the 6th & 7th Wards

A Petition of John Cameron to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read & granted.

Ordered that Joseph Newton be permitted to frame the Roof of a Store House (belonging to Isaac Gouverneur) in the Street in front of the old Slip not exceedg ten Days & then to clear the Street of all the Chips & Rubbish.

Ordered that Gabriel Furman Esqr be permitted to proceed in improving his Water Lot on the Eastern Point of Corlaers Hook agreable to the Line of the Regulation established along the Et River

Ordered that Hugh McDougall be appointed a fireman to Engine No 15 vice Charles Bush resigned And Andw Minuse to No 8 vice Peter Lorrilliard resigned

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Garret Harsen on Accts towards a Bulkhead at the Old Slip & Repairs to the Corporation Wharf at the North River	£500:—:—
issued	Anthony L Bleecker for his Commission on Sales of the Lease of Brooklin Ferry House Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries	£11: 3:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for a Qr Salary & Disbursements	£20:18:—
issued	[43] Wendell Boos for a lost fire Bucket	£0:16:—
issued	Valentine Vaughan for carting Dirt out of the Street in the 4th Ward	£3: 3: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of Augt 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, Andrew Van Tuyl, Gabriel Furman, John Campbell, Robert Lenox } Esqrs Aldn { Garret Harsen, Mangle Minthorne, Thomas Storm, Anthony Post

Theophilus Beekman Robert Lenox & Gabriel Furman Esqrs were admitted & sworn as Free Men of this City.

The Managers of the late Alms House Lottery attended the Board & delivered in their Acct of the proceeds thereof amounting to ten thousand Pounds and also eight hundred Pounds towards their Commissions & the Expences attending the executing of the Business; which Acct was read approved & filed And it was thereupon Ordered

that the said Managers deposit the said Sum of ten thousand Pounds in the Bank of New York to the credit of this Board and that they retain in their hands the said Sum of Eight hundred Pounds for their Commissions & all the Expences attending the execution of the Trust reposed in & committed to them in the Premises.

[44] Ordered that the Treasurer obtain a settlement with the Bank of the Monies from time to time negociated on loan by order of this Board And that a Bond or Bonds be prepared for the Ballance.

issued On reading a Letter from James C Lawrence on the subject of his demand of 100 Dollars for a Plan or Elevation of the new Alms Hs the Board determined the Sum extravagant but agreed that he be paid fifty Dollars & that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for the payment thereof accordingly.

Ordered that the Committee proceed in the rebuilding of the Fly Market from Water Street to Front Street by Contract & that the old Building be sold & removed accordingly.

A Petition for additional Watchmen to patrole & guard the eastern part of the City was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Messrs Janeway & Minthorn.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Mott Street was read & ratified by the Board & Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies & Barnet Simonson & John Willson to execute the Work.

An Ordinance for paving Broad Way from the South side of Murray Street to the north side of the House of Scott Clark was passed by the Board.

issued	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Bank of New York to pay Nichs Carmer on Acct towds new Alms Hs	£2000:—:—
issued	And on the Treasr to pay. David Willis on his executing a Release for the part of his Lot taken to straiten [45] White Hall Street	£50:—:—
issued	Jacob Harsen on Acct towards the public Roads	£100:—:—
issued	Garret Harsen on Acct towards the Old Slip Bulkhead & Corpn Wharf	£388:—:—
issued	The same towards blinds for the Windows of the City Hall	£100:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Augt 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman Nicholas Bayard Cornes C Roosevelt Robert Lenox Andrew Van Tuyl	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Nicholas Carmer Jotham Post Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen George Janeway

Assistts

The Treasurer reported that the Monies loaned from the Bank of New York & which will become due on the 18th Septr next amounts to 20,000 Dollars.

Ordered that a Bond from this Corporation to the Bank of New York for that Sum be prepared to bear Interest at five P Ct from that day that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

[46] Henry King presented to the Board a Release of the House & Lot at the Corner of Broad Way & Beaver Lane together with a Recognizance entered into by him to secure the Title which were approved by the Board & the Release was filed with the Clk & the Recognizance was delivered to Mr Recorder to procure it to be enrolled

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Mr King the consideration Money £800 accordingly

On a Representation of the Keeper of the Bridewell of it's insufficiency to secure the Prisoners Ordered that the Goal Committee take order for securing it

Ordered that the Committee for rebuilding the Fly Market report an Ordinance for keeping it more clean & in better order than formerly and that Mr J Post be added to the Committee.

Estimates & Assessments for paving Beaver Lane, Oister Pasty Street & Lumber Street were respectively read & ratified and William G Forbes was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John Moore to pave the said Streets.

On the Request of Wm Henderson & George Scriba Ordered that they be permitted to make Vaults under the Street in front of their respective new Houses erecting in Wall St under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that John Rogers be permitted to sink a Block & continue

his Pier on the East side of Beekmans Slip out to the permanent Line of the Street of 70 feet Wide

[47] Ordered that Ald^{n} Furman & Roosevelt & M^{r} Minthorn be a Committee to treat with the Proprietors for the land which may be required for the Road leading to the new Bridge over Harlem River.

The Committee on the Petition for additional Watchmen to guard the Eastern Part of the City made a Report on the Subject And the same Committee were directed to report a proper Place for an additional Watch House with an arrangement on the Subject.

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the following viz.

8800	of 1^{d}	£36:13: 4
6900	of 2^{d}	57:10:—
7000	of 3^{d}	87:10:—
	1 imperfect Sheet	—: 6:—
		£181:19: 4

On a suggestion that great Inconveniences arose from the want of more small Change It was ordered that the Committee take order for the printing & emitting a further Sum to the amount of £1000.

Ordered that Jacob Berry be appointed a fireman to Engine N^{o} 20 vice Isaac J Stagg dec^{d}

issued	Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Cashier of the Bank of New York to pay Nicholas Carmer on Acc^{t} towards the new Alms House	£2000:—:—
issued	And on the Treas^{r} to pay Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t} towards Fly Market	£600:—:—
issued	W^{m} J Elsworth for lighting Lamps	£66:15: 8
issued	John Porterfield for notifying the Inhabitants of 6th W^{d} to clean Streets	£3:—:—
issued	[48] Andrew Kerr for repair^{s} Pavem^{t} round the Wells in 4th Ward	£2:17: 6
issued	Tho^{s} Lewis for Carpenters Work at Belle Vue Hospital	£2: 9: 4
issued	W^{m} Bran for raising the Bulkhead at Charlotte Slip	£44:—:—
issued	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps 4th Ward	£18: 1: 9
issued	Simon Kiersted for the like in the Same Ward	£4: 4:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Septr 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Nicholas Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post George Janeway Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post Garret Harsen Thomas Storm	Assistts

On an Application from the health Officer

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the first Ward examine the Whitehall Slip & determine whether any convenience can be made there, without injury to the Slip, for the safe keeping of the Health Officers Boat.

A Petition for sinking a Well in Harman Street was read & granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

[49] An Estimate & Assessment for the digging out & filling in of Pell Street was read & ratified by the Board & Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Barn't Simonson & John Willson to execute the Work

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office informing that the Lazarette on Bedlows Isle is now prepared for the Reception of Persons with infectious Disorders and that therefore they have no longer use for the Hospital at Belle Vue, was read & filed And thereupon Aldn Furman & Lenox & Mr Minthorn were appointed a Committee to report on the future Disposition of Belle Vue.

The Committee on the Subject of a Road to the new Bridge over the River at Harlem reported a Sketch or Survey of several Roads; And after due enquiry into the Subject the Board determined to adopt the Road of four Rods wide to commence at the South West Corner of the field, near the School House, belonging to the Dutch Church at Harlem and thence on a direct Line through the said field and through the Land of John S Sickels to the said Bridge; And it was ordered that the Committee cause an accurate Survey thereof to be made & reported to the Board

Mr Recorder reported a State of Facts on the Subject of the Mud Scow lost last Year And the Board thereupon determined that it would not be expedient to commence a Suit against the Person who was supposed to be answerable for the loss of her.

[50] Aldⁿ Van Tuyl & Lenox & Mʳ Harsen to whom was referred the Petition of the Bakers for an [in]crease of the Allowance made them in the Assize of Bread reported that the prayer of the Petition ought not to be granted; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that the Assessors named in the Law be requested to proceed in assessing the Monies paid Henry King & others for his House & Lot taken to widen Beaver Lane.

The auditing Committee reported on the Accᵗˢ of Gabriel Furman Esqʳ & of Frederick Stymets, decᵈ & Anthony Post for the Expenditures in making the new Bason at Thames Slip amountᵍ to £3224:17:5, from which it appears that there remains in Aldⁿ Furmans hands a ballᶜᵉ of £61:2:8 which he was ordered to pay into the Treasury.

Ordered that Patrick McGuire be appointed a Measurer of Grain.

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗ on the Bank of
issued New York to pay Nichˢ Carmer on Accᵗ towᵈˢ new
Alms Hˢ ..... £1000:—:—

And on the Treasurer to pay.

issued Garret Harsen on Accᵗ to compleat the Mud Scow..... £161:11: 1
issued Gabriel Furman Esqʳ for Expences of Road Committee. 10:15: 6
issued Matthew Byrne for notifyᵍ Inhabᵗˢ of the 1ˢᵗ Wᵈ to sweep the Streets..... 4:16:—
issued Alexʳ Lamb for City Watchmen..... £85: 4: 6
issued James Culbertson for the like..... £85: 4: 6
issued Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Pumps..... £80: 5: 7
issued Matthew Dyckman for the like..... £20: 5: 6

[51] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12ᵗʰ day of Septʳ 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqʳ Recorder

Theophˢ Beekman
Andrew Van Tuyl
Gabriel Furman
Robert Lenox
} Esqrˢ Aldⁿ

Jotham Post
Garret Harsen
Nicholas Carmer
Anthony Post
Mangle Minthorn
George Janeway
Thomas Storm
} Assistᵗˢ

A Representation of the Schoolmasters in this City on the subject of the Accᵗˢ by them rendered by order of this Board of the number of Scholars by them respectively taught; was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

A Petition for a Well & Pump in Lombard Street near Cheapside Street was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assist. of the 7th Ward.

On the Question to grant the Sum of £800 towards the running out a Pier in the middle of Coenties Slip from the L to & beyond the new Street of 70 feet wide whenever the said Pier shall be compleated it passed in the affirmative as follows.

for the Affirmative	for the Negative
Aldn Beekman	Mr Recorder
Aldn Furman	Mr Minthorn
Aldn Van Tuyl	Mr J Post
Aldn Lenox	Mr Janeway
Mr Carmer	
Mr Storm	
Mr A Post	

[52] Ordered that the Clerk notify Thomas Ellison to cause the Bulkhead in front of his Water Lot in front Street near Pecks Slip to be so repaired without delay so as to keep the Earth from falling into the River And also Daniel Dunbar that he do without delay cause the Wharf or Street in front of his Water Lot at Burlings Slip to be erected & made agreable to the Conditions of the Grant under which he holds Title.

On reading a Representation of the fire Wardens; The VI Section of the Law for preventing & extinguishing fires was repealed and instead thereof a new Clause or Section was passed prohibiting any Stove to be used unless the Funnel for conveying the smoke be lead into a Chimney or safe brick Flues; under the penalty of forty Shillings for each Offence

And it was ordered that the said Law so amended be republished in the News Papers.

An Estimate & Assessmt for paving Mulberry Street was read & ratified and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Ogden & Gartsee to pave the said Street

The Road Committee report that John Sickels is willing to accept of £240 for his Land which will be taken for the new Road to the Bridge lately erected over Harlem River provided this Board will at the public Expence erect a good five Rail Fence on each side the Road to enclose his Land; which this Board do agree to. And the Comtee are directed to close the Bargain & to treat with the Trustees of the Church at Harlem with respect to the price of their Land And that on Mr Sickels executing & delivering a Release of the said Land Mr

Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] for paym[t] of the said Sum accordingly.

[53] The following Persons were duly elected by the Board Inspectors of the ensuing Election for Charter Officers at the following Places in the respective Wards viz[t]

1[st] W[d]	Trinity Church	Rinier Suydam.
2[d]	City Hall	Hugh Gaine
3[d]	North Church	Andrew Stockholm
4[th]	S[t] Pauls Church	Jacob Abramse
5[th]	friends Meeting House	Ephraim Brasher
6[th]	Alms House	Henry Ten Brook
7[th]	Rich[d] Varians House	Henry Rutgers

Ordered that John Marvin be appointed a fireman to Engine N[o] 13 vice Nicholas Brevoort removed from this City.

Ordered that the Health Officer be permitted to make a place for the safe keeping of his Boat in Whitehall Slip under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the Ward

Ordered that the Committee make a Settlement with the Commiss[rs] of the Health Office for the Rent of Belle Vue as also with respect to the furniture & other Things there

Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York

issued	Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Bank of New York to pay Nicholas Carmer on Acc[t] towards new Alms House	£1000:—:—
	And on the Treas[r] to pay.	
issued	Nich[s] Carmer to compleat the Fly Market	£192: 8: 1
issued	the same on Acc[t] towards rebuilding the Fly Market between Water & front Streets	£400:—:—
issued	Daniel Cowan towards repaving Gold Street at the Corner of Maiden Lane	£20:—:—
issued	John Morton for print[g] Acc[t]	£35:17: 6
issued	Tho[s] Hazard for 2 Watchmen at the Goal	£21:14:—
issued	Matthew Byrne for notify[g] Inhabit[ts] 2[d] W[d] to clean Streets	£4:16:—
issued	W[m] J Elsworth Acc[t] in fire Engine Departm[t]	£148:17: 8

[54] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th day of Septr 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm	Assistts
Andrew Van Tuyl		Garret Harsen	
Nicholas Bayard		Nichs Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Anthy Post	
Theophs Beekman		Jotham Post	
		Mangle Minthorn	
		George Janeway	

Ordered that Aldn Furman & Messrs Storm & Carmer be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers Office to examine & Report on his Books & Accts on Friday next

A Petition of John Harding to be a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

A Petition of the Hucksters in the Oswego Market for permission to continue in their Stands during the Afternoon & Evening was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Davenport to be a licensed Butcher was read & granted

An Estimate & Assessment for repaving the Street on each side of the Fly Market between Pearl Street & Water Street was read & ratified by the Board and John Moore was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the sd Street

On reading a Representation of the Church at Harlem on the subject of laying the new Road to the Bridge over Harlem River, the Board agreed to pay the Church the Sum of one hundred & fifty Pounds [55] for the Ground taken to carry the said Road of four Rods wide through their Land and at the public Expence to erect a good five Rail fence on each side of the said Road and that on their executing & delivering a Release of the said Land Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for paymt of the sd Sum accordgly

Ordered that the Road Committee take order for having the Road compleated through Mr Coles's Meadow.

	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Bank of	
issued	New York to pay Nichs Carmer on acct the further Sum of	£1000:—:—
	And on the Treasr to pay	
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

issued	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads.....	£114:15: 6
issued	John Keyser Junr for Repairs to Wells &c.....	£25: 6: 8
issued	Daniel Osburn for Lamp Oil.....	£70: 4:—
issued	Haviland & Ferris for the like.....	£179:11:—

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[56] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 23d day of Septr 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard
John Campbell
Gabriel Furman
Andrew Van Tuyl
Cornes C Roosevelt
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer
Anthony Post
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
George Janeway
} Assistts

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers Books & Acct delivered in the following Report which with the Treasurers annual Accts were examined & approved by the Board vizt We the Subscribers appointed by an order of the Common Council to examine the Books of the City Treasurer Do report that we have attended to the Business directed by the said Order. That there has been received since the last Settlement twenty two thousand eight hundred Pounds by Loans directed by the Common Council from the Bank of New York. Three thousand three hundred & eleven Pounds 16/2 from the State Treasurer granted by the Legislature towards the Expence incurred during the Summer of 1795. Six thousand three hundred & twenty nine Pounds 7/8¾ collected from Corporation Revenues. Three thousand & two Pounds 2/ [57] for Donations. Two thousand five hundred & six Pounds 10/2 for Common Lands. Four hundred & sixty six Pounds 11/9 in the Hands of Aldn Stoutenburgh. Two thousand & ninety nine Pounds 4/ for Corporation Tickets issued for small Change and the Sum of 10/ for Interest on a Mortgage of J McKinley which several Sums with the ballance of Five thousand two hundred & forty six Pounds 15/ amounts to forty five thousand seven hundred & sixty two Pounds 16/9¾. And that there has been paid out to the Bank of New York Ten thousand Pounds—For Corporation Tickets cancelled and Warrants issued by Common Council twenty nine thousand & ninety five Pounds 7/10 which leave a Ballance due

*A memorandum of the clerk reads *an Entry abt Mechanic Socy Ground Chatham Square.*—Ed.

the City of New York of Six thousand Six hundred and sixty seven Pounds 8/11¾ carried to new Account.

Septr 22d 1796

Gabriel Furman
Nicholas Carmer } Comtee
Thomas Storm

The Committee on the subject of Schools made a verbal Report thereon And a Question was raised for the consideration of the Board whether it would be proper to distribute any part of the Monies, granted by the Legislature for the encouragement of Schools & the Monies raised by Tax in this City for that purpose among the Schoolmasters or Teachers in this City? and it was determined unanimously in the Negative.

[58] A Motion was then made that parcel of the said Monies vizt £944 should be granted & distributed to & among the Charity Schools of the religious Societies in this City; upon which Debates arose & the Question being put on the said Motion it passed in the Affirmative in manner followg vizt

Affirmative.	Negative
Aldn Bayard	Mr Recorder
Aldn Campbell	Mr Carmer
Aldn Van Tuyl	Mr Minthorn
Aldn Roosevelt	
Aldn Lenox	
Mr A Post	
Mr Storm	
Mr Janeway	

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Messrs Storm & Janeway be a Committee to report to the Board the proportion of the Said Sum to be granted to each of the said Charity Schools

Resolved that application be made to the Legislature at their next Meeting for legal provision to establish public Schools in this City.

An Estimate & Assessmt for paving Batavia Lane was read & ratified And Jonathan Conrey was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Lane

Ordered that the Treasurer take on Loan from Cornelius Clopper £500 at the Interest of five per Cent And that a Bond be prepared accordingly.

issued	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay Richard Furman for cleaning & repairing a Well in Division Street.....	£8: 2:10

[59] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Sept[r] 26[th] 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl Gabriel Furman Theoph[s] Beekman Robert Lenox Nicholas Bayard John Campbell Corn[s] C Roosevelt	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Anthony Post Mangel Minthorn Jotham Post Thomas Storm George Janeway Garret Harsen	Assist[ts]

James C Brasher, Taylor. admitted & sworn a free Man of this City.

Ordered that Nich[s] Smart, Butcher be restor'd to his Office.

A Petition of James Roosevelt for a further Grant of his Water Lot on the East side of Pecks Slip was read & granted

A Petition of Peter P. Van Zandt for the privilege of receiving the Wharfage of the new Pier on the West side of Burlings Slip till a Pier be run out on the East side of the said Slip; was read & referred to Ald[n] Van Tuyl & Lenox & M[r] J Post

Ordered that John Harding be appointed a Measurer of Grain in this City.

Ordered that the Committee on the Subject of a Canal from the Collect fresh Water Pond to the Hudsons River be instructed to confer with the Proprietors of the Swamp for the obtaining such Parts thereof as may be required to make the said Canal of the Breadth of 40 feet and a Street on each side of the Breadth of 30 feet

[60] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	W[m] J Elsworth for lighting Lamps.....	£67:15: 8
issued	Isaac Varians for 3 Hogs for the Use of Belle Vue Hospital	£4:16: 6
issued	David Marshall for attending Potters field burial Ground	£22:10:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 28th Septr 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Andrew Van Tuyl Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Robert Lenox Nichs Bayard Cornes C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Nichs Carmer Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post Garret Harsen	Assists

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Henry Ten Brook shewing his Inability to serve as Inspector of the Election for Charter Officers in the sixth Ward Whereupon Jacobus Verveelen was duly nominated & appointed in his stead

[61] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 29th day of September 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Cornelius C Roosevelt Gabriel Furman Theophilus Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Jotham Post Mangle Minthorn Anthony Post Nicholas Carmer Thomas Storm George Janeway	Assists

The Board (according to the directions in the Charter of this City) proceeded to name and appoint a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix was unanimously named & appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor was pleased to name and appoint James Culbertson to be High Constable of this City for the Year ensuing.

[62] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of October 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Nichs Bayard Andrew Van Tuyl Cornelius C Roosevelt Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer Anthony Post Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post Garret Harsen	Assistts

The Clerk produced to the Board the Poll Lists of the Election in the several Wards of Charter Officers for the ensuing Year from which the follows Persons appear to be elected vizt

1st Ward	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Thomas Storm	Assistant
	Rinier Suydam, Cornelius Ray	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	James C Brasher, David Walker	Constables
2d Ward	Robert Lenox	Alderman
	Garret Harsen	Assistant
	Edmund Seaman, Abraham Varick	Assessors
	William Gilbert	Collector
	Barn't Newkerk, Henry Burtsell	Constables
[63.]		
3d Ward	Ezekiel Robbins	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
	Daniel Dunscomb Junr, Thomas Ash	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Charles Handasyde, Samuel Stockwell	Constables
4th Ward	Cornelius C Roosevelt	Alderman
	Anthony Post	Assistant
	Daniel Bowie, Isaac Jones	Assessors
	Thomas Lafoy	Collector
	John Reins, John Ackerman	Constables

	Jotham Post	Alderman
	Philip Arcularius	Assistant
5th Ward	Leonard Fisher, John Murray Junr	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	John Fleming, Francis Curry	Constables
	Jacob Delamontanye	Alderman
	Anthony Brown	Assistant
6th Ward	James Riker, Joshua Barker	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	William Campbell, Robert Berwick	Constables
	Nicholas Bayard	Alderman
	Mangle Minthorn	Assistant
Bowery Division	William Beekman, Samuel Stillwell	Assessors
	Richard Furman	Collector
	John Dietz, John McLauchlen	Constables
7th Ward		
Harlem Division	John Kortright, Sampson Benson Junr	Assessors
	John Bussing	Collector
	Ithamar Ely, Jacobus Dyckman	Constables

[64] Ordered that the said Officers respectively above named (except the Collectors) and also the Sherif, Coroner, Treasurer or Chamberlain, and High Constable be notified to attend in this Common Chamber on Friday the 14th Instant at 11 O'Clock in the forenoon to take & subscribe the Oaths by Law prescribed and directed.

Theophilus Beekman Esqr a Candidate for the Office of Aldermen at the Election in the third Ward represented to the Board that certain of the Electors, who voted for Ezekiel Robins the other Candidate & who is returned as having the plurality of Votes, were not qualified according to Law; and he therefore prayed that a scrutiny of the Votes taken at the said Election for Alderman be granted to him.

Ordered that a Scrutiny be granted accordingly and that the said Candidates deliver to each other Lists of such Voters as they shall respectively deem objectionable and that this Board will proceed on the Business of the said Scrutiny in this Chamber to Morrow Afternoon at 3 O'Clock.

It being suggested to the Board by some of the Members that there is reason to believe that Jacob Delamontanye who is returned as

elected Alderman of the sixth Ward, is not a Free Man of this City, nor a Freeholder in the said Ward.

Ordered that the Clerk notify Mr Delamontanye thereof and request his [65] attendance at this Board to Morrow Afternoon at 3 O'Clock to satisfy the Board on the said subject

A Petition of Peter Goelet praying that a Grant be made to him of the Water Lot on the West side of the Exchange Slip out to the permanent Street of 70 feet wide was read & granted.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & Messrs A. Post & Jotham Post be a Committee to examine & report whether the Senate & Assembly Chambers in the City Hall cannot be so altered as to make more Room for the accommodation of the Members of the Legislature whose numbers are considerably encreased.

Ordered that the Surveyors make and report to the Board without delay a Map or Survey of the Water Lots at Corlaers Hook.

issued	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Bank of New York to pay Mr Nichs Carmer on Acct towards new Alms Hs	£2000:—:—
	And on the Treasurer to pay.	
issued	Andrew Smyth for two lost fire Buckets	£1:12:—
issued	Andrew Van Tuyl Esqr for carting of Dirt & Filth from the Streets 3d Wd	£14:19: 6
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£85: 4: 6

The Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City laid before the Board his annual Acct of the Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax; which were examined with their respective Vouchers by the Mayor & Aldermen & found right and agreable to the directions of the Statute certified accordingly

[66] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 4th day of Oct^{r} 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman		Nicholas Carmer
Nicholas Bayard		Garret Harsen
Theophs Beekman		Jotham Post
John Campbell	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post
Andrew Van Tuyl		Thomas Storm
Cornes C Roosevelt		Mangle Minthorn
		George Janeway

Assists

Mr Robins attended the Board and represented that from the shortness of the time he could not possibly be prepared to proceed on

the Business of the Scrutiny between him & Ald[n] Beekman & prayed further time 'till Friday next; which was granted.

From an apprehension that Jacob Delamontayne had not received the notice for his attendance at the Board this Afternoon; it was ordered that he be notified to attend on Friday next.

The Committee on the Senate & Assembly Rooms reported that the Alterations required can conveniently & without much expence be made And the same Committee were ordered to direct the same to be done accordingly.

The Committee on the Petition of Peter P. Van Zandt delivered in a Report which was read & postponed

[67] Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Office of Loan Officers Evert Bancker & Cornelius Ray Esq[rs] Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes & Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers; and this Board having carefully inspected & examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty in manner as by Law is directed and required.

The follow[g] is a Statement of their Acc[ts]

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The City and County of New York in Acct with the Loan Officers pursuant to an Act passed the 18th April 1786....Credr

1796				1795		Principal
August 30th	To the Loan Officers Salary for one Year detained..	£80: 0: 0		Septr 19th	By Balance remaining on Loan....	12950:—:—
do	To Cash paid the Treasurer in full for the Int & Principal as Pr Receipt this day	567:10:—	£1267	1796 June 21.	By one Year Interest on the Principal	£647:10:—
		£647:10:—	£1267			£647:10:— £12950:—:—
To Ball. Principal remaining on Loan.....			11,683			
			£12950			

New York the 20th Septemr 1796
Errors excepted
Evert Bancker, Cornr Ray } Loan Officers

Debr

The Treasury of the State of New York in Acct with the New Loan Officers of the City and County of New York, pursuant to an Act Passed 14th March 1792.....Credr

1796				1796		
June 29th	To Loan Officers Salary for one Year	80: 0: 0	1158	May 3d	By 1 Year Interest due on £19300 at 6 ℔ Cent	£1158: 0: 0
do.	To Cash paid the Treasurer as Per Receipt	1055:16:—				
August 30th	To Cash paid do in full as ℔ Receipt	22: 4:—				

New York the 20th September 1796
Errors excepted
Evert Bancker, Cornr Ray } Loan Officers

[68] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday Morning Oct^{r} 7th 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Mangle Minthorn
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post
Andrew Van Tuyl		Jotham Post
Robert Lenox		Thomas Storm
Cornelius C Roosevelt		George Janeway

Jacob Delamontagne attended the Board and admitted " that he was not a Free Man of this City. That he was a Freeholder in the third & seventh Wards previous to the Election of Charter Officers on the 29th Sept^{r} last. That he was in treaty for the purchase of a Freehold Estate in the sixth Ward, for which he was returned Alderman elect, previous to the said Election; but that the said purchase was not compleated until after the said Election."

Ordered that the consideration of the Subject be postponed 'till Monday Afternoon next when M^{r} Delamontagne will be heard (if he has any Thing to offer) by himself or Council.

The Board then proceeded to the Business of the Scrutiny between Theophilus Beekman & Ezekiel Robins and having made some progress therein, adjourned 'till 5 O'Clock this Afternoon

issued Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} to pay the Clerks of the late Election for Charter Officers 16/ each amount^{g} to..... £5:12:—

[69] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday Afternoon Oct^{r} 7th 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Mangle Minthorn
Andrew Van Tuyl		Jotham Post
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Thomas Storm
Robert Lenox		Nicholas Carmer
		Anthony Post

Assist^{ts}

The Board proceeded to the further consideration of the Scrutiny Business between Theophilus Beekman & Ezekiel Robins and having made further progress therein adjourned 'till Monday Afternoon next

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Afternoon Oct^{r} 10th 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Robert Lenox Gabriel Furman Cornelius C Roosevelt Andrew Van Tuyl Nich^{s} Bayard	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Mangle Minthorn George Janeway Jotham Post Thomas Storm Anthony Post Nicholas Carmer	Assist^{ts}

Ordered that Cornelius Cregier be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 9 vice Ab^{m} Tyson dec^{d} And John Stickler to N^{o} 15 vice Stephen Rose dec^{d}

issued Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} to pay Jaques Barkaloo for taking up the Mud Drudge when adrift ..... £2:—:—

[70] The Board proceeded to the consideration of Question on the eligibility of Jacob Delamontagne to hold the Office of Alderman of the sixth Ward & it appearing from his admission that he was not a Free Man of this City nor a freeholder in the said Ward at or before the late Election in the said Ward Whereupon the Board determined unanimously that he was ineligible to hold the said Office.

The Board then proceeded to the further consideration of the Business of the Scrutiny between Theophilus Beekman & Ezekiel Robins and after further progress in the Business adjourned 'till to Morrow afternoon 3 O'Clock.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday Afternoon Oct^{r} 11th 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman Nicholas Bayard Andrew Van Tuyl Robert Lenox Cornelius C Roosevelt	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Jotham Post Anthony Post Mangle Minthorn George Janeway Nicholas Carmer Thomas Storm Garret Harsen	Assist^{ts}

The Board resumed the consideration of the Business of the Scrutiny between Theophilus Beekman & Ezekiel Robins and having in

the progress of the Business admitted certain of the Votes (which were [71] objected to by the Parties respectively) as good Votes, and having rejected certain other of the Votes (which were objected to by the said Parties respectively) as bad Votes it now remained for the Board to consider of & determine on the Votes of Thomas Van Zandt, James Van Zandt, Matthew Van Zandt & Peter Van Zandt, all of whom voted as freeholders and were objected to on the part of Ezekiel Robins.

In support of the legality of the said Votes a Deed from Peter P Van Zandt to his four Sons, the said four last mentioned Voters, of a certain House & Lot of Ground in the third Ward was produced and admitted on the part of Mr Robins to be valid to pass the Estate: But it was objected to on the part of Mr Robins that altho' Mr Van Zandt had so conveyed the said Estate yet that he continued in the possession & receipt of the Rents of the said Estate and therefore that his said four Sons above named, not being in possession thereof, had no Right to vote on the said Estate.

The Board then proceeded to examine the Witnesses of the Parties and having heard the Parties by their Counsel Mr Edward Livingston for Mr Robins & Messrs Cozine & Evertson for Mr Beekman; The Question was put whether the said four Votes should be received & admitted as good Votes and it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

for the Affirmative		for the Negative
Aldn Furman.	Mr J Post	Mr Recorder
Aldn Bayard	Mr A Post	Aldn Van Tuyl
Aldn Lenox	Mr Minthorn	Mr Storm
Aldn Roosevelt	Mr Janeway	
	Mr Carmer	
	Mr Harsen	

[72] The Board then proceeded to examine which of the said two Candidates had the greatest number of good Votes at the said Election & it apeared that Theopohilus Beekman had a Majority of two Votes.

Whereupon the Board determined that Theophilus Beekman Esqr is duly elected Alderman of the said third Ward.

The Business of the Scrutiny, in which Aldn Beekman was a Party, being ended he took his Seat.

It appearing that Jacob Delamontagne who had the greatest number of Votes as Alderman at the late Election in the sixth Ward is ineligible to the said Office, and it appearing also that John Campbell the other Candidate for the said Office had the next greatest number of Votes as Alderman. Mr Mayor put the Question " Whether he should

be considered as duly elected"? and it passed in the Affirmative as follows viz[t]

for the Affirmative		for the Negative
Ald[n] Furman	M[r] A Post	M[r] Recorder
Ald[n] Lenox	M[r] Minthorn	Ald[n] Van Tuyl
Ald[n] Roosevelt	M[r] Carmer	M[r] J Post
Ald[n] Beekman		M[r] Storm

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[73] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 14[th] Oct[r] 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Theophilus Beekman Cornelius C Roosevelt Jotham Post Nicholas Bayard	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Thomas Storm Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Anthony Post Philip Arcularius Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn

Assist[ts]

His Excellency the Governor by and with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment, having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esq[r] to the Office of Mayor &[c] and Jacob J Lansing Esq[r] to the Office of Sheriff of this City and to appoint Charles Dickenson to the Office of Coroner of this City M[r] Mayor proceeded to the Gov[t] House and there before His Excellency the Gov[r], and in presence of the Aldermen, took the Oaths prescribed in & by the Charter of this City, And being returned to the City Hall his Commission & also those of the Sherif & Coroner were with the usual solemnities read & published

M[r] Mayor then administred to the Aldermen & Assistants above named & to the following Officers their respective Oaths of Office as prescribed by the Charter viz[t]

Jacob J Lansing Sherif..... } who respectively produced Bonds for
Daniel Phœnix Treas[r] &[c]..... } the due execution of their Offices.
Charles Dickenson Coroner

[74]

Assessors	Constables
Rinier Suydam	James Culbertson High Constable
Edmund Seaman	James C Brasher
Abraham Varick	Barn't Newkerck
Dan[l] Dunscomb Jun[r]	Henry Burtsell
Thomas Ash	Charles Handasyde
Daniel Bowie	Samuel Stockwell

* Memorandum of the clerk reads *Moores G[t]*—ED.

Assessors	Constables
Isaac Jones	John Reins
Leonard Fisher	John Ackerman
James Riker	John Fleming
Joshua Barker	Francis Curry
William Beekman	William Campbell
Samuel Stilwell	Robert Berwick
John Kortright	John Dietz
Sampson Benson Junr	John McLachlen
	Ithamar Ely
	Jacobus Dyckman

John Campbell Esqr Alderman
Cornelius Ray } Assessors } did not attend to be sworn
John Murray Junr }
David Walker Constable

Ordered that Aldn Furman Lenox & Beekman & Messrs A Post, Arcularius Brown & Minthorn be the Street & Road Committee.

Aldn Bayard & Messrs Harsen & Carmer the Lamp Comittee

And Aldn Post & Messrs Storm & Minthorn the Committee of Accounts.

Ordered that the new Members take the places of their respective Predecessors on all private Committees.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Aldn Furman on Acct towards making the new Road to Harlem Bridge £200.

[75] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Octr 17th 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn
Theophilus Beekman		Philip Arcularius
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Anthony Brown
Nicholas Bayard		Anthony Post
		Thomas Storm

Jacob Delamontagnie Gent John A Wolfe, Cordwainer John P Pearss Merchr John P Anthony, Tanner & Currier Abraham Baudoine Hatter admitted & sworn free Men

John Campbell Esqr Alderman elect for the sixth Ward attended & informed the Board that the present weak state of his Health was such as altogether to prevent him from executing & performing the Duties of that Office and therefore declined taking the Oaths pre-

scribed by the Charter & requested that an Election be ordered in the said Ward of an Alderman in his stead.

Ordered that an Election be held in the said Ward at the Alm's House on Wednesday the 26th Instant accordingly

Ordered that Cornelius Ray elected Assessor for the 1st Wd & David Walker Constable for the said Ward be again notified to attend this Board next Meeting to take the Oaths prescribed by the Charter.

A Petition of Edward Livingston for a Grant of the Soil in the River in front of his Lots at the North River was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Lamplighters for an encrease of their pay was read & rejected.

[76] The Committee on the Petition for an additional Watch House in the seventh Ward reported "that the Prayer of the Petition ought to be granted & that in their Opinion the most eligible Situation for the Building is at the Head of Catharine Street & Chatham Square"

Ordered that the same Committee report a plan of the Building with an Estimate of the Expence.

On reading a Petition of Garret Wallgrove Ordered that he be appointed a Weighmaster of Hay at the White Hall Slip in the stead of Peter De Riemer removed from this City.

Ordered that Magnis Garrat be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood vice James Campbell decd

And Peter King vice Joseph Young decd

A proposition of Abijah Hammond to make certain Alterations in the course of the Road leading from the North River towards Greenwich Lane with a Survey thereof was examined & approved of by the Board.

Ordered that the Treasr or Chamberlain of this City receive from the Treasurer of this State of New York the Monies which the City & County of New York is entitled to receive by virtue of the Act of the Legislature passed the 9th April 1795 entitled "An Act for the encouragement of Schools."

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 3d Wd.....	£40:16: 9
issued	Luke Persiany for Services on the Mud Drudge.....	£3: 9: 6
issued	Richd Furman towards sinking Well in Harman St.....	£17:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£85: 4: 6

issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	[77] Mr Nichs Carmer towards the Fly Market.....	£200:—:—
issued	Rinier Skaats towards purchasing fire Wood for the Court Rooms	£60:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of October 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Jotham Post
Cornelius C Roosevelt
Robert Lenox
Mangle Minthorn
Garret Harsen
Philip Arcularius
Anthony Brown
Anthony Post
Nicholas Carmer

George Snowdon Ship Chandler & Andrew Anderson Cabinet Maker admitted & sworn free Men

Cornelius Ray Assessor for the first Ward attended & took the Oath prescribed by Charter

A Letter from John Murray Junr elected Assessor for the 5th Ward setting forth that being of the people called Quakers he is exempted by Law from serving in that Office was read & filed.

David Walker elected Constable for the first Ward attended & refused to take the Oath prescribed by the Charter or to serve in the said Office

Whereupon it was ordered that Election be held on Wednesday the 2d Octr next in the 5th Ward of an Assessor in the stead of John Murray Junr and in the first Ward of a Constable in the stead of David Walker.

A Petition against filling up the Exchange Slip was read & referred to the Committee on the Petition for filling up the said Slip.

[78] Ordered that Ordinances be prepared for filling up & raising all the Lots on the South side of front Street & between the Exchange Slip & Coenties Slip, with sand or other clean & wholesome Earth at least two feet below the Surface when filled & that they be filled to such Heigth as that the Water will run off freely into the Street, under the Penalty of for each neglect.

On reading a Complaint of the Paulus Hook ferry Man the follows Law or Ordinance was passed by the Board vizt

Be it ordained that no Boat or Vessel of any description whatever, except the Paulus Hook ferry Boats, shall be allowed to come

into or lay in Cortlandt Slip: But that the said Slip shall be and the same is hereby assigned to and for the sole and uninterrupted use of the said Paulus Hook ferry Boats And if any Boat or Vessel of any Description whatever shall or do come into or lay in the said Slip contrary to this Law the Master Owner or Possessor of such Boat or Vessel shall forfeit and pay as a fine forty Shillings for each & every Tide such Boat or Vessel shall lay or remain in the said Slip.

A Petition of the Scotch Presbyterean Church for a Regulation of the Streets adjoining their Lots on Rutgers's Land was read & the consideration thereof postponed

On reading a Petition Ordered that the Neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well in such part of Harman Street between George & Charlotte Streets as the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward shall direct.

[79] An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Bayard Street was read & ratified by the B^{d} and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies & Peterson & Riley to execute the Work.

The Committee appointed to report the proportion of the Sum of £944 part of the Monies granted by the Legislature for the encouragement of Schools in this City Report that they have weighed every Circumstance and are of Opinion that the follow^{g} Distribution thereof be made which was agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

iss^{d}	The Episcopal Charity School.....	£110:—:—
iss^{d}	The Presbyterean Do	200:—:—
iss^{d}	The Reformed Protest^{t} Duch Do.....	250:—:—
iss^{d}	The German Lutheran Do	54:—:—
iss^{d}	The Scotch Presbyterean Do	100:—:—
iss^{d}	The African free School Do	230:—:—
		£944:—:—

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} for the paym^{t} of the said several Sums accordingly.

M^{r} Recorder then presented to the Board a Memorial to the Legislature, which was read & approved by the Board, praying a Law to enable this Board to establish one or more public Schools in this City to be upheld & supported by the Monies granted by the Legislature for the encouragement of Schools, Ordered that the Common Seal of this Corporation be affixed thereto and that M^{r} Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the Clerk prepare a Report to the Legislature on the subject of the late Alms House Lottery

[80] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towds Fly Market.....	£600:—:—
issued	The same from the Bank of N York on Acct towards new Alms House.....	£1000:—:—
issued	Casimir Th: Goerick on Acct for Surveys.....	£20:—:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth Coroner for Inquests.....	£39:11:—
issued	Nichs Fisher for Services at Bellevue.....	£2: 6:—
issued	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles.....	£3: 1: 3
issued	Luke Kip for going into Westchester County after Jno Parks charged with counterfeits Dollars.....	£3: 8:—
issued	John S Delamater for superintends the cleans of Streets 1st Ward	£10:12:—
issued	Elijah Cock towards a Well in Water St.....	£6: 8:—
issued	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 1st Ward.....	£49:17: 7

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Octr 31st 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post Nichs Bayard Robert Lenox Cornes C Roosevelt Theophs Beekman Jacob Delamontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Nichs Carmer Mangle Minthorn Anthony Post Thomas Storm	Assistts

[81] From the Poll List of the late Election held in the 6th Ward of an Alderman in the Place of John Campbell Esqr it appears that Jacob Delamontagnie Esqr is duly elected And he attended & took the Oaths prescribed by the Charter accordingly

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited & examined the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell the Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Commissioners Accts of their Receipts & Expenditures the last Quarter & found them Right amounts

The Alms House to.....	£2998: 3: 2
The Bridewell to.....	420:14: 7

An Estimate for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House.....	£2800:—:—
For the Bridewell.....	200:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr for the payment thereof accordsly

A Petition for the Regulation of Winne Street & Catharine Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

Ordered that Jacob Tabellie & Jonathan Porter be appointed Measurers of Lime.

Ordered that Samuel Farmar be required to fill in front Street the Breadth of his Lot

Ordered that Mr Carmer be appointed to Superintend the erection of the new Watch House in Chatham Square.

The Clerk according to order presented a Report to the Legislature on the subject of the late Alms House Lottery which was approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe it on behalf of the Board

Ordered that Nicholas P Roome be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 3 vice Gerardus Smith resigned

[82] Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance for preventing Hucksters from selling any Thing, except Vegetables, in the public Markets or Streets of this City.

Mr Recorder presented to the Board the following Reform of the Police of this City which was approved & agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board vizt

"The Board having taken into consideration the Inconveniences arising from some of the Provisions in the Charter of their City and the Laws heretofore made relating to the same request such of their Members as are Members of the Legislature to use their Endeavors that a Law or Laws may be passed by the Legislature in their next Session to the following Effect.

1 That the appointment of the Charter Officers who are to be annually appointed by the Government may be made at any time during the Session of the Legislature in each Year.

IId That whenever any Person not legally qualified shall be elected to any Office the Common Council may order a new Election to fill such Office

IIId That the Mayor & Recorder or either of them be authorized to hold the Mayors Court in the absence of the Aldermen.

[83] IV That the Governor with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment may appoint Justices of the Peace in the said City with Power to keep the Peace and to hear and determine personal Actions for Debts or Demands to the value of Ten Pounds and Actions and Informations upon penal Statutes and the Bye Laws of this City where the penalty or forfeiture shall not exceed ten Pounds under such Regulations and restrictions as the Legislature may think

proper and with full Power to execute the Office of Justices of the Peace in the said City in all Respects except holding Courts of Sessions of the Peace or setting as Judges in such Courts which shall be held by the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of the said City as heretofore who shall continue to be Justices of the Peace in the said City but without the Power of trying any Causes under the said Act."

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	David Couvert for superintg the cleang of the Streets 7th Wd	£10:—:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth for lightg Lamps	£68:17: 4
issued	Wm Sloo for conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell	£11:—:—
issued	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 2d Wd	£43: 9:10
issued	David Marshall for attendg Potters field Burying Ground	£11: 2:—
issued	Robt Berwick for superintg cleang Streets 6th Ward	£10:—:—
issued	John Ackerman for the like 4th Wd	£10:—:—
issued	John Porterfield for notifyg Inhabitts 5th Wd to clean Streets	£10: 8:—

[84] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 9th day of Novr 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nichs Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Mangel Minthorn	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Garret Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Post	
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Nicholas Carmer	
Jacob Delamontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Thomas Storm	
Robert Lenox		Philip Arcularius	

The Poll Lists of the 1st Ward for a Constable in the place of David Walker who refused to serve And of the 5th Wd for an Assessor in the place of John Murray Junr who being of the People called Quakers is exempt from serving, was read from which it appears that Nathaniel Ogden is duly elected Constable & Daniel Hitchcock Assessor.

Ordered that they be notified to attend & take the Oaths prescribed by Charter

A Petition of a great number of the Inhabitants of Bergen County complaining of the bad Conduct of the Ferry Men at Hoboock Ferry; was read & referred to the Committee on a former complaint against that Ferry & that Aldn Delamontagnie be added to the Comtee

A Petition against filling up the Exchange Slip was read & referred to the Committee on that subject.

[85] A Petition from the firemen of the Hook & Ladder Companies praying an encrease of their number was read & referred to Aldn Delamontagnie & Messrs Post & Arcularius

On reading a Request of Hugh Gaine as Atty for the Widow of John Shoals decd Ordered that the Treasr discharge the Bond from this Corporation to the said John Shoals.

A Complaint of Henry Rutgers that Sea Vessels occupy Rutgers's Slip to the exclusion of River Boats; was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

The Street Committee on the Petitions for & against filling up the Exchange Slip reported "that Measures ought immediately to be taken for digging out & clearing the said Slip of the Filth & Dirt collected therein; which was agreed to by the Board." And it was ordered that the same Committee take order for executing the same.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Orange Street was read & ratified by the Board & John Tabelle was appointed to collect the Monies & Raveau & Foot to execute the Work.

Ordered that Saml Gidney be appointed a Fireman to Engine No 15 vice James Kip resigned and John Burger to No 18 vice Benja D Doughty decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards new Alm Hs.....	£2000:—:—
	The same on Acct towards new Watch Hs.....	£200:—:—
issued	Evert Bancker Junr for surveyg Streets.....	£3: 4:—
issued	[86] Wm J Elsworth for the ballce of his Acct in the Lamp Departmt	£105:—: 4
issued	John DeWitt for Windsor Chairs for Senate & Assembly Rooms	£29:14:—
issued	Cornls C Van Alen & Co for printg.....	£16:19:—
issued	Hopkins Webb & Co for the like.....	£20:13:10
issued	Clerks of late extra Elections.....	£2: 8:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Novr 1796.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Jacob Delamontagnie		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Garret Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Nichs Bayard		Thomas Storm	
Cornelius C Roosevelt		Philip Arcularius	

Jeremiah Marshall Inspector of Lumber admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City issd

Daniel Hitchcock Assessor for the 5th Wd attended & took the Oath prescribed by Charter

On reading the Petitions of several Persons for the appointment of Capt of the Watch to be stationed at the new Watch House in Chatham Square The Board determined that the whole be considered as one Watch under the Direction of an Assistant from the Capt at the old Watch House.

A Petition of Verdine Elsworth for compensation for his Services and Losses at Paulus Hook Ferry during the prevailence of the Yellow Fever at Phila was read & referred to the Members of this Board who belonged to the Health Comtee

[87] A Petition of James Gardiner to sell Coffee in the Street at the Fly Market was read & granted under the direction of the Deputy Clerk of the Market

The Committee on the sale of the unappropriated Standings in the Fly Market between Water & Front Streets Report that they have been sold at public Auction in the said Market on Saturday last by Mr Frederick Jay, who is allowed eight Dollars for his Commission, to the following Persons on the Conditions & at the prices following amounts in the whole to £3470 vizt

No			No	
72...George Manolt.....	£530.		65...Benja Cornell	£165
71...David Simmons	290.		64...Henry Lovell	280
70...John Pell	285.		63...Isaac Bayea	180
69...Danl Winship	205.		62...John Pessenger Junr.....	150
68...George Merserve	320.		61...Cornⁿ Schuyler	175
67...Whitchd Cornell	170		60...Burdet Striker	210
66...James Young	310.		59...Andrew Ross	200
	£2110			1360
				2110
				£3470

Conditions.

None to buy but licensed Butchers subject to such Regulations & Fees as the Corporation may make from time to time and no transfer of any Stall so purchased to be made without leave of the Corporation. Butchers who have Stands in the upper Market & becoming purchasers in the lower Market are considered to have forfeited their Stall in the upper Market. None of the Butchers in the other Markets are to have leave to become Purchasors in the Fly Market. A Credit of Thirty Sixty & ninety Days is given for the Purchase Money upon giving such Notes to Mr Phœnix as he shall approve.

Ordered that the vacant Standings in the upper Market be sold at Auction by the Committee to licensed Butchers only who have served regular Apprenticeship

[88] A Memorial of several Persons who have placed Lamps in the Streets at their own Expence complaining that they are charged unreasonably for the cleaning & lighting of them; was read & referred to the Lamp Com^{tee}

Ordered that Peter De Riemer late Weighmaster of Hay at the White Hall Slip remove his Scale out of the Street in fourteen Days from this day and that the Clk notify him thereof accordingly

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

The Street Committee on the Petition of Edward Livingston Report that Casimir T: Gœrick one of the sworn Surveyors of this City hath been employed to ascertain the quantity of Ground between High & low Water Mark; from which Report it appears to be equal to eleven & an half Lots of 25 feet by 100. Your Committee are of Opinion that on Edward Livingstons paying the Sum of Eight hundred Pounds as a Consideration for the said Land between high & low Waters Mark a Grant ought to be made to him to the seventy feet Street, reserving Washington Street and the Cross Street of Sixty five feet reserved in his Deed And conditioned that he shall make and keep in Repair the Street & Bulkhead in front thereof and paying the Quit Rent established by this Board on the 23^{d} May last

Gabriel Furman
Anth^{o} Post
Anthony Brown
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn

[89] The Committee on the Petition of Henry Pudy to have the Lot of Common Land adjoining the Dove Tavern on a Lease reported that in their Opinion the Prayer of the Petition ought to be granted & that he have the said Lot on a Lease for ten Years at the Rent of ten Pounds per Ann^{m} which was agreed to by the Board

Ordered that Leonard Rogers be appointed a fireman to Engine N^{o} 4 vice Isaac Cromwell resigned—John Constantine to N^{o} 15 vice Richard Kip removed And John Dobbs to Hook & Ladder C^{o} N^{o} 1 vice John Marschalk resigned.

Be it ordained that the following addition as an Amendment be incorporated in the 5th Section of the Law for regulating the public Markets. viz^{t}

"Nor for any Person commonly denominated a Huckster to sell or expose to sale in any of the said public Markets or in any Street of this City any provisions or Articles of any kind usually sold in the said public Markets (Vegetables excepted) under the Penalty of forty Shillings for each Offence"

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Casimir Th: Gœrick ballce of his Acct for surveys Streets	£10:—:—
issued	Benja Taylor for the like	£5: 4:—
issued	Stephen Cooper towds a Well in Thos Street	£6: 8:—
issued	John & Gilbert Coutant for Bran & other Necessaries at BelleVue Hospital	£12:11:—
issued	Edward Meeks for Iron Work Lamp Departt	£55:14:—
issued	Abm Van Gelder for lights Lamps	£8: 4: 2
issued	Representative of Abm Van Gelder decd for ballce of his Acct in the Lamp Departmt	£17: 9:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£85: 4: 6

[90] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday 22d Novr 1796

Present/ Richd Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Cornes C Roosevelt Jacob De la Montagnie Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Antho Brown Philip Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm Antho Post	Assistts

A Petition of the Lessees of Lots in Winne Street against the digging out & filling in of that Street; was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Report of the Street Committee for regulating Charlotte Street from Division Street to Cherry Street was read & agreed to as follows. vizt

"The Intersection of Division Street will require to be dug 2 feet so as to convey the Water of the Streets to the northward of Division Streets into said Division Street Thence descending along Charlotte Street to Lombard Street with $2\ 18/100$ Inches on every 10 feet and from Lombard Street to Cherry Street with $5\ 5/10$ Inches on 10 feet so as to reserve in this distance the above descent of $2\ 18/100$ Inches on 10 feet to the extent of the Grants. In consequence the Intersection of Harman Street will require to be dug 5 feet—the Intersection of

Henry [91] Street 6 feet 9 Inches—the Intersection of Bedlow Street 16 feet 1 Inch—the Intersection of Lombard Street 5 feet and Cherry Street in front of W^m Bedlows House will remain as it now is."

An Ordinance for digging out the said Street agreably to the said Report was read & passed by the B^d

Ordered that the Ald^n & Assist of the 3^d & 5^th Wards take order for making the necessary addition to the Wharf at Pecks Slip.

Ordered that Jacobus Verveelen be appointed a fire Warden in the 6^th Ward vice

Ordered that Luke Van Buskirk be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 1 vice Thomas J Campbell resigned & Sam^l Hone to Engine N° 7 vice John Day resigned.

"A Law to prevent any Ship or other Vessel (except Vessels Boats & Craft which usually bring to this City fire Wood & Articles of Provisions) from coming into or lying in the Coffee House Slip—the Old Slip and Coenties Slip" was read & passed by the Board.

The Land Committee reported that they had sold agreably to the Order of the B^d fifty eight Lots of the Common Lands as numbered and for the Sums placed opposite to the several Purchasers Names hereunto annexed. That the sales amounted to seventeen thousand six hundred Pounds—each Lot is subject to pay four bushels of Wheat per Annum forever—ten per cent of the Money of the purchase Money to be paid down on the day of Sale—ten per Cent more on the delivery [92] of the Deeds and the residue to be paid in four annual payments with Interest at six per Cent per annum & secured by Mortgage. The Purchasors to pay half the expence of the Deed & the whole of the Mortgage. It is understood by the purchasors of Lots adjoining the Post Road that the present Road is to continue open until the Corporation shall find it convenient to open & work the Road which is intended to straiten the old or present Road.

June 7^th 1796	To Robert Lylburn	Lot N° 62	£405
	Charles M^cEvers	68	215
	Thomas Ferdon	74	185
	Hugh Gaine	86	195
	John Elsworth	92	195
	Gulian M^cEvers	98	195
	George Gosman	104	280
	James Abeel	110	305
	ditt°	116	395
	Mathew Lasher	122	450
	ditto	128	400
	Daniel Hitchcock	134	360

June 7th 1796	John Van Zandt	Lot No 139	£300
	Ephraim Hart	143	290
	Francis Childs	147	390
	ditto	151	360
	ditto	155	470
	John Goodeve	160	240
	Leonard Bleecker	157	170
	John Goodwin	153	515
	Samuel Kelly	149	230
	Timothy Titus	145	180
[93]	Patrick Shay	137	200
	Timothy Titus	132	200
	Isaac Jones	126	185
	John Henry	114	190
	George Gosman	108	175
	Adam Finck	102	190
	Martin Hoffman	96	135
	Henry Seaman	90	145
	Martin Hoffman	78	200
	Robert Lilburn	60	600
	John Thompson	54	260
	Jasper Zembler	48	460
June 8th	Thomas Salter	164	195
	Andrew Stockholm	166	255
	Thomas Allen	168	335
	Samuel Sackett	170	350
	William Mathews	172	200
	Obadiah Helme	174	175
	Peter Bunch	176	200
	Henry Seaman	178	185
	James Walker	180	130
	Edward Dunscomb	182	195
	Thomas Salter	184	180
	Henry Seaman	186	205
15.	James Carter	118	620
	Norton & Brown	124	620
	John Van Zandt	130	405
	Norton & Brown	190	510
	Jacob Wilkins Junr	192	490
	Francis Childs	194	395
	Edward Dunscomb	196	635
	John J. Glover	66	430
	Talbot & Allum	72	375
	Philip Jacobs	84	240
[94]	James Abeel	120	305
	Philip Jacobs	141	305
			£17.600

A Petition of the Purchasors of the said Common Lands on the subject of Roads was then read & referred to the Road Committee.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Thos Hazard late Gaoler for subsisting criminal Prisoners	£447:17:10
issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursmts	£22: 3:—
issued	Hopkins & Webb & Co for printing	£3: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of Novr 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post
Cornls C Roosevelt
Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Jacob De Lamontagnie
} Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer
Garret Harsen
Anthony Brown
Philip Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn
Anthony Post
} Assistts

Be it ordained that no Vessel or Boat laden with Hay or Straw shall come in to or lie in the Exchange Slip under the penalty of forty Shillings for each Tide.

Petitions for permission to sink a Well in Ann Street leading from Barley to Reade Street and another in Charlotte Street were read & granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistts of the respective Wards.

[95] Ordered that Francis Cooper be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 11 vice Benja Shepherd decd & Alexr Ross & Michael Moore to No 21 vice Thos Ash & Samuel Kip resigned

Ordered that a Loan of 300 Dollars be made to Richd Lawrence one of the Commissrs [of the] Alms House to be applied towards the Relief of certain indigent refugee families from St Domingo. And that Mr Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasurer for payment thereof And also to pay.

issued	Catharine Simmons for a public Dinner in the City Hall on the late anniversary of the evacuation of this City by the British	£55: 7: 6
issued	William J Elsworth for lights Lamps	£70:14:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like	£85: 4: 6
issued	Gabriel Furman Esqr for making the new Road to Harlem Bridge & fencing	£58: 6: 1

The Committee on the Petition of the fire Men belonging to the Hook & Ladder Companies for an additional number of Men reported that five Men be added to each Company; which was agreed to by the Board.

The Committee on the Fly Market reported that they had sold the follow[g] Standings in the upper Market at Auction to the follow[g] Persons for the follow[g] Prices. viz[t]

	N° 3 to David Man.....	£58	N° 17 to James Reading....	£75
	N° 7 to Matthew Fox.....	85.	N° 19 to John Barr	60
given up	9 to Matthew Fogel....	62.	N° 18 to John Carby	40
	13 to Dan[l] Ensley Jun[r].	43	N° 8 to John Davenport..	20
	15 to Nich[s] Smart	55		

[96] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Dec[r] 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Samuel Jones Esq[r] Recorder

Robert Lenox Theoph[s] Beekman Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Nich[s] Bayard Jacob De Lamontagnie	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nich[s] Carmer Anthony Post Philip Arcularius Anthony Brown Thomas Storm

Assist[ts]

Ordered that John Bogert be appointed a fire Warden in the 4th Ward vice George Stanton resigned.

Ald[n] Lenox presented to the Board Proposals of certain Persons to supply this City with Water by Means of Pipes which was read & referred to Ald[n] Lenox & Furman & M[r] Post

A Petition in favor of the Hucksters in the Fly Market was read & rejected

On the Question Whether Isaac Beyea the purchasor of Stand N° 63 lower Fly Market might exchange with W[m] Everit for N° 63 in the upper market, it was carried in the Negative.

[97] Ald[n] Lenox presented to the Board written Proposals from the Printers of the several New[s] Papers in this City for printing & publishing by Contract for one Year the several Matters & Things ordered by this Board to be printed & published and on examination those of M[r] John Morton appeared to be on the best Terms & were agreed to by the Board in the Words follow[g] viz[t]

"John Morton proprietor of the daily Advertizer having been required to State to M[r] Alderman Lenox for the consideration of the

hon^ble the Corporation of this City, the Terms on which he will engage to do the printing Work they may have occasion for throughout a Year begs leave respectfully to state. That from a Review of the Work which has been ordered in former Years and from an average Estimate formed as nearly accurate as the varying state of Circumstances will admit, he will engage to do all the printing Work such as

The printing of whole or parts of Laws in the Daily Advertizer as may be occasionally ordered.

The printing and circulation of Hand Bills as may from time to time be ordered

The printing of the Treasurers Accounts annually, in a whole Sheet Supplement to be distributed to all the subscribers to the Daily Advertizer and such other Individuals as the hon^ble the Corporation may direct

The insertion of occasional Advertizements in the Daily Advertizer as may be directed

[98] The above which are all the Objects J: Morton can at present contemplate as being probably ordered by the hon^ble the Corporation he will engage to perform faithfully & accurately for the annual Allowance of Thirty five Pounds.

Jn^o Morton

New York Dec^r 5^th 1796

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed fire Men to Hook & Ladder Company N^o 1. as additional viz^t

John Grainger. David Pearcelock. Andrew West. Nevin Willson & James Sterling.

And John Smith to Engine N^o 7 vice John Marschalk resigned.

Ordered that the Clerk again notify the Persons named in the Law for straitn^g & Widening John Street that unless they speedily proceed to the discharge of the Duties committed to them in & by the said Law this Board will take such Measures as the Case may require.

On reading a Petition of Sebring & Van Wyck & others for an encrease of the Sum this Board agreed to grant towards the new Pier in Coenties Slip, the B^d agreed to add £150 to the £800 heretofore granted.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treasurer to pay Sebring & Van Wyck the Sum of £950 accordingly.

And also to pay. the follow^g Persons viz^t

iss^d	Nich^s Carmer on Acc^t tow^ds new Alms H^s.....	£1000:—:—
iss^d	Rinier Skaats on Acc^t for firewood.....	£60:—:—
issued	George Gosman for alterations in the Senate Chamber..	£42:10: 1

issued	Robt Gosman for Carpenters Work to Do ..	£22: 5: 5
issued	[99] George Collis for Iron Work to Pumps 5th Wd....	£3:14: 6
issued	John Van Alst for Repairs to Do	£11: 7:—
issued	Simon Kiersted for the like 7th Wd.....	£28: 4: 6
issued	Jacob Harsen for ballce of his Acct on Repairs to Roads	£174: 7: 4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of Decr 1796

Present/ Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Jacob Delamontagnie, Gabriel Furman, Theophilus Beekman, Jotham Post, CornS C Roosevelt } Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen, Thomas Storm, Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Post, NichS Carmer, Philip Arcularius } Assists

A Petition of the fire Men to Engine No 1 for a better & larger Engine was read & referred to Aldn Delamontagnie & Messrs Post & Arcularius.

A Petition from the Watchman at the Goal for an encrease of Pay was read & referred to the Committee on the Goal.

A Petition of BenjA Cutler & Roswell Chappel for the Materials of the old Fish Market was referred to the Committee on the Fly Market to take order for the sale of the Materials of the old Fish Market

Ordered that Mr Minthorn take Order for providing Belle Vue Hospital with fire Wood.

Ordered that Aldn De la Montagnie & Beekman & Messrs Post Arcularius & Storm be a Comtee to report a new Arrangement for the fire Department in respect to Buckets.

[100] The followg Regulation for Cross Street from Mulberry to Little Water Street and so down said little Water Street to fresh Water Pond. was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

Descent from the Kennel in Mulberry Street to the Regulation of Orange Street with 2 15/100 Inches on 10 feet—thence ascending from said Orange Street in a distance of 85 feet and descending in a distance of 165 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Head of Little Water Street—thence descending down said Little Water Street with 1¾ Inch on 10 feet to Fresh Water Pond. In consequence of this it will require to be raised 1 foot 4 Inches at the distance of 110 feet from the Kennel in Mulberry Street. At the Intersection of Orange Street 4 feet 3 Inches according to the Regulation of said Orange

Street thence at the extent of 130 feet being the Head of Little Water Street where it will require to be dug 1 foot 5 Inches thence down said Little Water Street where it will require raising 2 feet at the extent of 120 feet from Cross Street & at fresh Water Pond 4 feet 4 Inches above the Surface of the Water."

An Ordinance for digging out & filling in the said Street agreably to the said Regulation was then passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Wm J Elsworth on Acct towards the fire Department...	£25:—:—
issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards Fly Market.....	£400:—:—
issued	Arent Van Hook for Watchmen at Goal.....	£31:17:—
issued	David Ogden for patent Lamps Ct Room.....	£9:—:—
issued	Moore & Gosman for paving at Alms Hs.....	£15: 7: 3
issued	John Street for removg Dirt from 3d Wd.....	£50: 3: 4
issued	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Pumps 6th Wd.....	£29: 6:—
issued	[101] Francis Dominick for Timber on Repairs to Kings Bridge	£16: 6: 6
issued	James Culbertson for City Watchn.....	£85: 4: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday Decr 15th 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Cornls C Roosevelt
Jacob Delamontagnie
Nichs Bayard
} Esqrs Aldn

Garret Harsen
Anthony Post
Thomas Storm
Anthony Brown
Nicholas Carmer
Philip Arcularius
} Assistts

Whereas the Inhabitants of this City have lately been greatly alarmed by repeated Attempts of certain unknown Incendiaries to set fire to certain of the Buildings in this City To the End therefore that the Perpetrators may be discovered & brought to Justice

Resolved that this Board will pay the Sum of 500 Dollars to any Person who shall discover & prosecute the Offenders or either of them to conviction.

And whereas it is suggested to this Board that a nightly Watch of the Inhabitants in the several Wards will be proper & necessary on the present Occasion.

Therefore Resolved that it be recommended to the good Citizens in the several Wards [102] to arrange themselves into Companies or

Classes to consist of such numbers as shall be necessary for the purpose of keeping such Watch for the safety of this City and that the Citizens of the respective Wards meet at such time and place as the Aldn and Assistt of the Ward shall assign & appoint for the purpose aforesaid.

Ordered that the aforegoing Resolutions be published & distributed in Hand Bills

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burnt the followg to ashes vizt

7700	of 1 Penny	£32: 1: 8
7000	of two Pence	58: 6: 8
7300	of three Pence	91: 5:—
3 Sheets imperfect		—:18:—
		182:11: 4

Ordered that Garret B Abeel, Solomon Pancost, William Willson & Richard Wenman be appointed additional fire Men to Hook & Ladder Company No 2. And William L'Hommedieu & Israel Anderson to Engine No 6 vice Joseph Smith resigned & Morris Smith decd John Franklin Junr to No 18 vice James Hawxhurst resigned And Matthew West to No 1 vice Anthony Brown resigned.

issued	Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay David Waldron in full of his Acct for repairs to Roads	£192: 7:—

[103] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 19th 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Nichs Bayard	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Garret Harsen	
Cornes C Roosevelt		Mangel Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Thos Storm	
Abraham Delamontagnie		Philp Arcularius	
		Nichs Carmer	

Brigr Genl Donald Campbell admitted & sworn a free Man of this City issd

At the Request of His Excellency the Govr & the Collector & Naval Officer

Ordered that four additional Watchmen be employed & that one be placed in the Rear of the Govt House & another at the Custom House.

The new Watch House at the Head of Chatham Square being compleated

Ordered that the Aldⁿ of the 3ᵈ & 7ᵗʰ Wards & the Assist of the *the* 3ᵈ Wᵈ be a Committee to report what number of additional Watchmen will be necessary and an arrangement as to their Duty.

Alexʳ Lamb one of the Captains of the City Watch being about to depart for Albany to attend his Duty as a Member of the House of Assembly Ordered that Nicholas Lawrence his Assistant take Charge of the Company until Capᵗ Lambs return.

[104] On reading a Letter from the Representatives of the fire Men informing this Board of their having appointed Martin Morrison to collect & prosecute for the Fines on the Laws for preventing Fires in the place of Jacob Tabellie Ordered that the Aldⁿ & Assist of the 6ᵗʰ & the Assist of the 5ᵗʰ Wᵈˢ be a Committee to enquire into Mʳ Tabellie's Conduct in that Respect & report to the Board.

The Comᵗᵉᵉ on the Petition of the Watch men at the Goal for an encrease of their pay reported that in their Opinion the pay allowed them was fully adequate to their Services.

The Board agree that the allowance to the Clerk who assists the *sitting Magistrates at the City Hall be at the rate of 500 Dollars per Annum.

The Clk produced a Bond from this Corporation to Cornˢ Clopper for £500 with Interest @ five per Cᵗ from the 17ᵗʰ Insᵗ taken on loan by the Treasʳ in pursuance of the Order of the 23ᵈ Septʳ last

On a reconsideration of the Subject the Board agreed that Isaac Beyea might exchange his Standᵍ in the lower Fly Market with Wᵐ Everitt for his Standᵍ in the upper Market on Mʳ Bayeas paying into the Treasury £40.

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasʳ to pay

issued	The Clerks of the late Election for a Representative in Congress	£40:—:—
issued	John Walters for Carpenters Work at Goal	33:19: 3
issued	Mangle Minthorn for fire Wood at Belle Vue	19: 1: 7
issued	James Davidson for Flag Halliards at Battery	1: 2: 3
issued	Serring & Factor removᵍ Dirt 5ᵗʰ Wᵈ	41:13: 4
issued	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	3: 1: 3

* Marginal note reads *Police Magistrates.*—Ed.

[105] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 28th Day of December 1796

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post	Esqrs Alds	Garret Harsen	Assists
Corns C Roosevelt		Mangel Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	
Nichs Bayard		Anthony Brown	
Jacob Delamontagnie		Thomas Storm	
		Anthony Post	
		Philip Arcularius	

Mr Mayor informed the Board that agreable to the former Order of the Board authorizing him to remove from Office any licenced Butcher for disorderly conduct or malpractice he had removed Jacob Patchen for violating the Rules & Orders established for the Fly Market by refusing to remove a Stall by him set up in the Fish Market when required by the Clerk of the Market; which Act of the Clerk of the Market was approved by the Bd

The Committee appointed to report the additional number of City Watchmen required for the New Watch House at the upper end of Chatham Square & an Arrangement of their Duty reported the follows which was approved by the Board vizt

At the main Watch House	1	Capt
&	1	Assistt
At the new Watch House	1	Assist
Additional number of Men	16.	
[106] Rounds at the new Watch House 3 at each Relief		
At the Watch House Door	1	Centry
At the Intersection of Pearl & Chatham Street	1	do
At the Ship Yards	2	do
At the upper Box in the Bowery	1	do
In Division Street	1	do
Near Mr Ivers's Rope Walk	1	do
	20.	

The two Centries now in the Bowery Lane will fill the two last mentioned Places It is probable it may be found necessary to alter the Stations of the Centries on a fair Survey of the Business and that the two Centries at the Ship Yards will not weaken the main Watch & it will be most convenient for them."

The Board then proceeded to appoint two Assistants [to] take Charge of the Watch at the new Watch every other Night And Magnus Beekman & Hugh Gobel were appointed accordingly.

Ordered that Aldn Beekman & Messrs Harsen & Carmer take order for providing new Caps for the Watchmen

Proposals by Joseph Brown & his Associates for supplying this City with good Water was read & referred to Aldn Lenox & Furman & Mr Post.

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from the Mayor of Savannah in Georgia on the subject of their Distresses in consequence of the late destruction of that City by fire; which was read And Mr Mayor was requested by the Board to represent the Matter to the Speaker of the House of Assembly in expectation that perhaps the Legislature may grant them some Relief in the premisses.

[107] The Committee appointed to enquire into the Conduct of Jacob Tabellie Collector of Fines on the Laws for preventing Fires.

Report that having made due enquiry in the Premisses find that Jacob Tabellie has frequently been called upon by the Representatives of the fire Department to render an Account of the Chimney fines which he may have received & from whom he received the same— that Mr Tabellie has always evaded the said Request and lately refused the same saying that they had no Right to request it of him and that he would not account to any one except to the order of this Board."

Thereupon ordered that Jacob Tabellie be removed from the Office of Collector of the said Fines & that Martin Morrison be appointed in his stead

Ordered that Mr Tabellie do without delay render an Acct of all Fines by him received to the Committee for Auditing the Accounts of this Board And that Aldn Delamontagnie be added to the Committee in the place of Aldn Post who is going to Albany to attend the Legislature.

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

Engine No 21 Uriah Burgis & Ernest Aughbach vice John Titus & Michael Moore resigned.

Engine No 4 George Kaylor vice John Cheesman resigned

Engine No 17 Abm Thomas & Walter Franklin vice Matthew Reed & James Weeks.

Engine No 15 William Rollinson vice Garret Wallgrove resigned

No 2 Hook & Ladder Jno Throckmorton vice John Pelletreau resigned

[108] On a suggestion that the Goalor extorts from Debtors confined in Goal unreasonable Compensation for indulgencies in the Use

of certain Rooms in the Goal Ald^{n} Bayard, Roosevelt & Delamontagnie were appointed a Committee to enquire into the subject & report to the B^{d}

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

issued	Ald^{n} Beekman on Acc^{t} towards securing the Bridewell..	£200:—:—
issued	Joseph Dunkley for removing Dirt & Filth from 5th & part of 7th W^{ds}.....	£47: 6:—
issued	W^{m} Somindike for the like 1st W^{d}.....	£41:13: 4
issued	W^{m} J Elsworth lighting Lamps.....	£71: 4:—
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£88:10: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£89:12: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3^{d} day of Jan^{y} 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Theoph^{s} Beekman Nich^{s} Bayard Corn^{s} C Roosevelt Jacob De la Montagnie	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nich^{s} Carmer Philip Arcularius Thomas Storm Anthony Post

Assist^{ts}

M^{r} Mayor delivered to the Board a Deed from the Corporation of the Church at Harlem for the Land taken for the new Road leading to Harlem River Bridge which was deposited with the Clerk to be recorded.

[109] On reading a further complaint that the lamplighters demand unreasonable Pay from the Inhabitants who have put up lamps at their Houses in the Street at their own Expence.

Ordered that all those Lamps be lighted by the public Lamp lighters and paid for by the superintendant at the same rate as the public Lamps; which together with the Expence of the Oil is to be charged to & collected from the Owners of those Lamps.

A Petition for Lamps & a fire Engine in Greenwich Street between Reade Street & Lispenards Brewery was read & referred to the Ald^{n} & Assist of the 6th & the Assist^{t} of the 4th Wards

Ordered that Ab^{m} Coddington be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 14 vice John Bogert appointed a fire Warden

[110] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of Jany 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De lamontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	
Gabriel Furman		Philip Arcularius	
Cornes C Roosevelt		Anthony Brown	
		Nichs Carmer	
		Anthony Post	

Andrew Newell. Cooper
Nicholas G Carmer Mercht } admitted & sworn as free Men of this City

A Petition of the Lamp lighters for an encrease of pay was read & referred to the lamp Comtee and Aldn Delamontagne was added to the Comtee

The Board agree that two Men be employed to sweep the Markets at the rate of one Shillg & six pence per day each.

The followg Report on the Petition of Verdine Elsworth was read & agreed to by the Bd vizt

"That the Committee have reason to believe that the Petitioner sustained considerable Injury in conforming to the Restrictions of the Health Committee by having a number of Persons imposed on him at Powlus Hook destitute of the means of support and by having his House greatly incumbered with a large quantity of Bedding & other Baggage for a considerable time which was finally removed to the Hospital on Govrs Island The Committee recommend that in consideration of the Circumstances & of the Zeal shown by the Petitioner to second the Views of our fellow Citizens in carrying into effect the Regulations they then found necessary to adopt and of the Petitioners personal Attention to that Object that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed him."

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr for payment thereof accordingly issued

The two followg Reports were read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The Committee on the Petition of Peter Curtenius & others for a Fire Engine & a sufficient number of Lamps in Greenwich Street between Reade Street & Lispenards Brewery in the sixth Ward Report that the Committee are of Opinion that the Prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted And that they be allowed a Fire Engine to be worked by such number of Men and deposited in such Place within the above District as this Board shall direct And also that they

be allowed such number of Lamps as may be deemed sufficient to light the District

Jacob De Lamontagnie
Anthony Post
Anthony Brown

The Committee on the Petition of the firemen of Engine N° 1 for a larger Engine Report that the Prayer ought to be granted & that they be allowed a New Engine in the Room of the present one to be worked by twenty Men & deposited in such Place as the Board shall direct.

Jacob Delamontagnie
Anthony Post
Philip Arcularius

[112] Ordered that the Lamp Committee take order on the said Report as it respects the Lamps And that the same Committee who reported together with Ald^{n} Lenox take order for the procurement of the new Engine

The follow^{g} Estimate, was made & agreed to by the Board, of the Monies which will be required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences the ensuing Year viz^{t}

		City & County	
City & County	Poor House		£12500:—:—
	For repaying the Corporation the Monies borrowed of the Bank of New York (exclusive of the Monies raised by Lottery) towards the new Alms House		12000:—:—
	Bridewell	£800:—:—	
	Roads	1000:—:—	
	Streets	1000:—:—	
	Criminal Prisoners	1100:—:—	
	Elections	150:—:—	
	for a Common Sewer from the Alms H^{s} to Hudsons River	3000:—:—	
	Conting^{t} Charges	1000:—:—	
			7950:—:—
	Amt of City & County Expences		£32450:—:—
City.	Watch	£6523:—:—	
	Lamps	5154:—:—	
	Wells & Pumps	450:—:—	
	Conting^{t} Charges	500:—:—	
			12627:—:—
	Total		£45077:—:—

Ordered that a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to raise the said Sum by Tax be prepared that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

[113] The Committee appointed to treat with Mr Nicholas Gouverneur as to the Price of his Lot which is required for continuing Bancker Street into Pearl Street having reported that the Price demanded by Mr Governeur was too great & that no Agreement could be made as to the value or Price of the said Lot Thereupon the Board determined that the Precept directed by the Statute for the Summoning of a Jury to assess the value of the said Lot should immediately issue.

Ordered that the Aldn of the 1st & the Assists of the 1st & 2d Wards be a Committee to examine the new Hay Scale of Mr Garrit Wallgrove at the White Hall Slip and if they find the Complaint of it's inaccuracy to be well founded to direct it's disuse

A Petition of Hugh Gobel to occupy the upper Room of the new Watch Hous in Chatham Square was read & referred to Committee on that Building.

Ordinances for filling in & raising all the Lots in the new block between the Exchange Slip & Coenties Slip so as to prevent the Water remaining thereon stagnant were read & passed by the Bd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Aldn Beekman on Acct towards defraying the Expences of a Room & fire for the voluntier Watch by the Inhabitts 3d Wd	£20:—:—
issued	The Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied towards the Relief of certain indigt families	£200:—:—
issued	Bernard Rapalye for a lost fire Bucket	£0:16:—
issued	[114] Alexr Lamb for the City Watchmen	£111:18: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£111:18: 6

Ordered that Amaziah Dusenbury be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 20 vice Alexr Campbell resigned.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 13th Jany 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Cornⁿ C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
Theophs Beekman		Garret Harsen	
Nichs Bayard		Anthᵒ Post	
Jacob Delamontagnie		Philip Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		Thomas Storm	

A Representation of the Fire Wardens on the subject of the Law restraining the Use of Stoves unless the Funnels be led into a Chimney or Flue was read & approved by the Board

The Board agree that the Butchers whose Notes for Stands in the upper Fly Market now become due have further time given them to the first May provided that they give the Treasr new Notes with good Endorsers payable the first May next with Interest from the day the present Notes become due

[115.] The Committee on the Petition of the Lamp lighters reported that the Prayer of their Petition cannot be granted and that Mr Elsworth the Superintendt inform them that the private Lamps must be lighted at the same rate as the public Lamps and if they refuse so to do that he employ others in their Room; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Phœnix notify the Tenants in the Houses near the new Alms House, which will require to be removed, that they must abandon those Houses by the first day of May next

Ordered that John Titus be appointed a Fire Warden in 2d Ward vice Walter Bicker removed out of the Ward

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Nichs Carmer on Acct towards New Alm Hs.....	£1000:—:—
issued	The same on Acct towards New Watch Hs.....	£450:—:—
issued	Rinier Skaats for fire Wood.....	£40:—:—
issued	Arent Van Hook for subsistg criml Prisoners.....	£185: 4: 8
issued	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles.....	£3: 1: 3
issued	Josiah Furman for repairs to Lamps.....	£53:13:10
issued	Michael Brooks for the like.....	£86:16:—
issued	Daniel Raveau towards a Well lately sunk in Harman Street	£17: 4:—
issued	David Marshall for supers Potters field.....	£20:14:—

The Monies now in the Treasury being inadequate to the payment of the present Demands on the Treasurer Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York to the amount of three thousand Dollars. for that Purpose.

[116] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th Jany 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Theops Beekman Robert Lenox Jacob Delamontagnie Nichs Bayard Corns C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Garret Harsen Thomas Storm Philip Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Antho Brown Nichs Carmer

A Petition of the Assistants at the new Watch House for sub Assistants read & granted.

A Petition for the regulation of Bedlows Street read & referred to the St Comtee

Ordered that the Butchers who have lately purchased Standings in the Fly Market have further time allowed them 'till the first May next for payment of their Notes on their giving the Treasr new Notes with good Endorsers payable 1st May next with bank Interest

A petition of Hugh Gaine for a Grant of the Water Lots in front of his Lots on Hudsons River read & referred to the Street Committee.

[117] On reading a petition of several Huckster Weoman who have incurred Fines on the Market Law It was ordered that their Fines be remitted on their paying the Costs of Prosecution.

Ordered that the Clerk publish an Advertizement for receiving Proposals sealed to supply the City with good Water by Means of Pipes, until 1st May next

The Committee on the Petition of Hugh Gobel to occupy the upper part of the new Watch House in Chatham Square reported that the prayer of his Petition ought to be granted on his paying at the rate of £10 per Annum for the same; which was agreed to by the Board

The Clerk presented to the Board a Release to Nichs Cruger of Lot number 35 parcel of the Common Lands which was read & approved by the Board and the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Bd

The Board determined that Mr Harsen should demand three Dollars per day for the use of the Mud Scow in driving Piles on certain Water Lots.

A petition to the Legislature, for changing the times of holding the Courts of Genl Sessions of the Peace so as to preceed the Terms of the Supreme Court, was agreed to by the Board & the Common

Seal was ordered to be affixed & Mr Mayor to subscribe it on behalf of this Board

[118] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Archd McLean for printing	£2:13:—
issued	Wm J Elsworth for lighting Lamps	£74: 0: 8
issued	John Stagg for paving round Wells in 4th & 6th Wds	£4: 7: 3
issued	Joseph Titus & Moses Downing towards a Well in Lombard St	£7: 4:—
issued	John Prowo's for deepens a Well at the Corner of Harmen & Rutgers Street	£12:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£126: 3: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£126: 3: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday febv 6th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Alds	Anthony Post
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn
Jacob DelaMontagnie		Garret Harsen
Cornl C Roosevelt		Nichs Carmer
Nichs Bayard		Philip Arcularius
		Anthony Brown

Assists

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited & examined the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

[119] The Committee of Accts reported that they had duly examined the Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms Hs & Bridewell & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them just & right;

those of the Alms Hs for the last Qr amounting to	£3436: 8: 5½
of the Bridewell	252: 6:—

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Qr was then read & approved by the Bd viz^{t}

for the Alms Hs	£3000:—:—
Bridewell	£200:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for paymt thereof accordingly

A Representation of the Sherif relative to the Goal was read & referred to the Goal Comtee

A Petition agt the immediate digging out of Catharine Street on the West side of the Bowery Lane was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that James Hopson be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 12 vice Isaac Cock resigned.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Cross S^{t} was ratified by the Board and Raveau & Ely were appointed to execute the Work & John Tabellie to collect the Monies on the said Estimate

A Representation of the Commiss^{rs} of the Alms House shewing the State of the House and the number of Emigrant Paupers therein who have not gained a legal Settlem^{t} here, was read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that 200 Copies thereof be printed in Hand Bills for public Information & particularly for the Information of the Legislature now in Session.

[120] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	W^{m} Sloo for convey^{g} Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£5: 2: 6
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£129:10:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£129:10:—
issued	John B Hicks for surgical Attend^{ce} on criminal Prisoners	£30:—:—
issued	Peter Black for the use of his House by the voluntier Watch 5th W^{d}.....	£20:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 15th feb^{y} 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jacob DelaMontagnie Theoph^{s} Beekman Nich^{s} Bayard	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen Tho^{s} Storm Antho Brown Antho Post Philip Arcularius Nich^{s} Carmer	Assist^{s}

Henry Verveelen—Grocer admitted & sworn a Free Man iss^{d}

A Presentment of the Grand Jurors of the late Court of Gen^{l} Sessions of the Peace ag^{t} certain of the public Slips was read & referred to the Street Com^{tee} & Another with respect to the Gaol was read & referred to the Goal Committee

A Petition of Nath^{l} Wilkison to be an Inspector of fire Wood was read & rejected.

[121] A Petition of John Murray Jun^{r} for a continuation of the Grant of his Water Lots adjoining the Wall Street Slip out to South Street in the East River was read & a Grant ordered to be prepared

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had attended at the Treasrs & burnt to ashes the followg viz^{t}

8900	of 1 Penny	£37: 1: 8
7400	of 2d	61:13: 4
7900	of 3d	98:15:—
Imperfect		—: 1: 4
		£197:11: 4

On a representation that Mr John Halsey would undertake to import from Hamburgh two fire Engines with long Hoses, to convey Water from the River into the interior of the City, of superior Quality and on cheaper Terms than those made in this Country, the Board agreed that Mr Halsey be requested to undertake this Business And Aldn Furman & Mr Arcularius were appointed to communicate this Matter to Mr Halsey accordingly

Ordered that Thos Taylor be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 20 vice David Burger Junr resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursts	£21:18:—
issued	Joel Holmes for the use of his House by the Citizens Watch 7th Wd	£8:16:—
issued	Anthony Smith for the like 4th Wd	£10:—:—
issued	John Town for the like same Wd	£11: 4:—
issued	Thos Drake for Repairs to the Well & Pump near Cathn Slip Market	£1: 2: 9
issued	Suydam & Heyer for Gun Powder	£34: 7: 6

[122] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of febv 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Nichs Carmer	
Robert Lenox	Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De la Montagnie	Antho Post	
Gabriel Furman	Antho Brown	
Nichs Bayard	Thomas Storm	
Corns C Roosevelt	Philip Arcularius	
Esqrs Aldn		Assistts

Jasper Ward Mercht sworn & admitted a Freeman issd

Ordered that Aldn De la Montagnie & Messrs Post & Storm be a Committee to enquire into the State of Business of collecting the fees or wharfage of the public Slips & Wharfs & to report whether any & what further Regulation in that Business is necessary.

A Petition for the digging out of Henry Street in the seventh Ward. was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a Petition of Susanna Dally

Ordered that she be permitted to sell Coffee to be drank in the Street at the Fly Market

The follow^{g} Report of the Street Committee for the Regulation of Bedlow Street from Catharine Street to Charlotte Street was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

[123] "From the Regulation of Catharine Street ascent in a distance of 577 feet & 6 Inches and descent in a distance of 127 feet 6 Inches with 2½ Inches on 10 feet to George Street as regulated—Agreably thereto it will require digging 4 Inches at the extant of 72 feet from Catharine Street Thence at the extent of 85 feet further it will require digging 18 feet 4 Inches Thence at the extent of 250 feet further 14 feet. Thence at the Extent of 155 feet further 12 feet 9 Inches, Thence at the extent of 86 feet further 9 feet 8 Inches and George Street will remain in its present situation.

From George Street to Charlotte Street ascent in a distance of 206 feet and descent in a distance of 356 feet with 2½ Inches on 10 feet. Agreably to this it will require digging at the extent of 22 feet from George Street 10 feet 6 Inches. Thence at the extent of 200 feet further 6 feet 9 Inches. Thence at the extent of 150 further 10 feet 2 Inches & at the Intersection of Charlotte Street 16 feet 1 Inch agreable to the Regulation of the said Charlotte Street."

Ordered that an Ord^{ce} be prepared accordingly

The Committee on Belle Vue Hospital reported that it be let for one Year from the first day of May next with Condition [124] that if it should be wanted at any time in the course of the Year as an Hospital the same or such part thereof as may be required to be immediately surrendered up to the Corporation for that purpose"

Ordered that the Clerk advertize that proposals sealed for hiring the said Place for the Term & on the Condition above mentioned, will be received 'till the 13th March next

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	John Van Alst for Repairs to Pumps 5th W^{d}.....	£6:15:—
issued	Mangle Minthorn for Hay &^{c} at Bell Vue.....	£9:11:—
issued	John Slegth for remov^{g} Dirt 2^{d} W^{d}.....	£41:13: 4
issued	John Hooghlandt for Watchmens Caps.....	£67: 4:—
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£125:13:—
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£125:13:—

[125] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of Febʸ 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor

Theophˢ Beekman	Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ	Garret Harsen	Asstˢ
Robert Lenox		Mangle Minthorn	
Gabriel Furman		Jotham Post	
Jacob De laMontagnie		Nichˢ Carmer	
Cornˢ C Roosevelt		Philip Arcularius	
		Anthᵒ Brown	
		Thomas Storm	

Cary Dunn Junʳ Gent admitted & sworn a free Man of this City issᵈ

On reading a Petition of the Masters of Vessels coasting between this Port & that of Philadelphia Ordered that such of them as are constantly & steadily employed in that Service or Trade be permitted to occupy & use the East side of the Old Slip provided that two or more of them do not lie abreast of each other.

A Petition of Wᵐ Godbey Occupant of one of the small Tenements, near the Alms Hˢ which are directed to be removed in the Spring praying that he may take the old Materials to his own Use; was read & referred to Mʳ Harsen & Mʳ Carmer to take order with respect to this as well as the Cases of all the other small Tenements to be removed.

A Petition of the Venders of Fish prayᵍ that the Fish Market House which was pulled down at the time [of the] late Fire may be rebuilt was read & referred to Aldⁿ Lenox & Beekman & Mʳ Carmer

[126] The Board took into consideration the allowance to Mʳ Harsen & Mʳ Carmer for their Time & Services in superintending & directing the different public Works done by order of this Board and it was determined that (exclusive of the allowance to them for superintendᵍ the erection of the Alms House) they be allowed at the rate of twelve Shillings each for each Day they shall have been respectively actually employed.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Presentments of the Grand Jurors of the late Court of Genˡ Sessions of the Peace against Nuisances in certain of the public Slips, delivered in the following Report which was agreed to by the Board vizᵗ

" That they find the Bulkhead & Piers of Dey Slip very much out of Repair & a part of the upper End filling in with Rubbish And that the Comᵗᵉᵉ are of Opinion that the Slip ought to be filled in as far out as the West side of Washington Street.

That on examining Pecks Slip they find that the Piers are in want of Repair and that the upper Part of the Slip is filled in so much as to be considerably above low Water Mark which causes the Nuisance complained of. The Committee are of Opinion that this Slip ought to be dug out and the Pier repaired without delay And also that the store of David Lidigh so much complained of & which obstruct[s] Front Street at Pecks Slip ought to be removed to the East side of the Street

[127] And the Committee do recommend that a Bulkhead be laid across the Exchange Slip about one hundred & fifty feet below the head of the Slip & that the Common Sewer be continued to that distance at the public Expence Provided the Proprietors of the Houses & Lots opposite thereto will be at the Expence of filling it in with wholesome Earth.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Roosevelt & De la Montagnie & M^{r} Post be a Committee to direct the execution of the Work as it respects Dey Slip. Ald^{n} Beekman & Post & M^{r} Arcularius the like for Pecks Slip And Ald^{n} Furman & Mess^{rs} Storm & Harsen for the Exchange Slip.

The Street Committee reported the following Regulations for the following Streets which were respectively read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

Regulation of Harman Street from George Street to Rutgers Street

"Ascent from George Street in a distance of 270 feet and descent in a distance of 290 feet with 2½ Inches on 10 feet to Charlotte Street, agreably thereto Harman Street will require to be dug at the extent of 10 feet from George Street 6 feet 11 Inches thence at the extent of 95 feet farther 5 feet 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 125 feet further 1 foot 7 Inches thence at the extent of 100 feet further 2 feet 1 Inch & at the Intersection of Charlotte Street it will remain in its present situation.

[128] From Charlotte to Rutgers Street.

Ascent in a distance of 207 feet 6 Inches and descent in a distance of 382 feet 6 Inches with 2½ Inches on 10 feet to Rutgers Street agreably thereto it will require to be dug at the extent of 105 feet from the Intersection of Charlotte Street 3 feet 8 Inches thence at the extent of 175 feet further 11 Inches thence at the extent of 100 feet further 4 Inches & at the Intersection of Rutgers Street it will require raising 5 Inches.

Regulation of Henry Street from Catharine Street to Rutgers Street

From Catharine Street ascent in a distance of 475 feet and descent in a distance of 100 feet with 2½ Inches on 10 feet to George Street agreably thereto it will require to be dug 17 feet 5 Inches at the extent of 30 feet from Catharine Street—thence at the exent of 177 feet further 13 feet 4 Inches—thence at the extent of 125 feet further 12 feet—thence at the extent of 135 feet further 9 feet 3 Inches thence at the extent of 80 feet further 10 feet and at the intersection of George Street it will remain as it now is.

From George to Charlotte Street

From George Street ascent in a distance of 322 feet 6 Inches and descent in a distance of 237 feet 6 Inches with 2½ Inches on 10 feet to Charlotte Street agreably thereto it will require to be dug at the Extent of 29 feet from George Street 9 feet 6 Inches—thence at the extent of 75 feet [129] further 7 feet 1 Inch—thence at the extent of 125 feet further 2 feet 10 Inches—thence at the extent of 200 feet further 5 feet & at the Intersection of Charlotte Street agreable to its Regulation 6 feet 9 Inches

From Charlotte to Rutgers Street

From Charlotte to Rutgers Street ascent in a distance of 217 feet 6 Inches and descent in a distance of 372 feet 6 Inches with 2½ Inches on 10 feet to Rutgers Street agreably thereto it will require to be dug at the extent of 230 feet from Charlotte Street 1 foot 7 Inches —thence at the extent of 200 feet further 5 feet 8 Inches. thence at the extent of 70 feet further 8 feet 8 Inches & at the intersection of Rutgers Street 2 feet 11 Inches

Regulation of Augustus Street

The head of Augustus Street at Tryon Row will require to be dug 2 feet 1 Inch thence descending down the said Street with 3 Inches & $^{6}9/_{00}$ on 10 feet to Magazine Street—Agreably thereto it will require to be dug at the extent of 150 feet from Tryon Row, being the range of Chambers Street, 3 feet—thence at the extent of 150 feet further 2 feet 11 Inches thence at the Extent of 130 feet further at the intersection of Colden Street 1 foot 5 Inches—thence at the extent of 150 feet further 4 Inches & at the intersection of Magazine Street it will remain as it is.

Regulation of Chambers Street from Broad Way to Augustus Street.

[130] Ascent from the eastern Kennel in Broad Way in a distance of 365 feet and descent the same distance with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to

Augustus Street—Agreably thereto it will require filling in at the extent of 116 feet from the Kennel in Broad Way 2 feet 3 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 1 foot 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 1 foot 10 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further it will remain as it now is—thence at the extent of 184 feet further being the Street known by Pot bakers Hill it will require digging 1 foot 6 Inches & at the Intersection of Augustus Street 3 feet

Regulation of Colden Street from Chatham to George Street.

Ascent from the Kennel in Chatham Street along Colden Street in a distance of 105 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet and descent the same distance with 2 Inches on 10 feet to Augustus Street; agreably thereto it will require to be dug at the extent of 75 feet from the Kennel in Chatham Street 2 feet—thence at the extent of 30 feet further 5 feet 3 Inches and so till it terminates in Augustus Street where it will require digging at the southeastern range of Augustus Street 5 feet. Thence descending from the north western range of Augustus Street to George [131] Street along Colden Street with 9 Inches on 10 feet agreably thereto it will require digging at the northwestern Range of Augustus Street 4 feet 5 Inches. thence at the extent [of] 50 feet further 3 feet 9 Inches—thence at the extent of 65 feet further 1 foot 3 Inches & at the intersection of George Street it will require filling 11 feet 8 Inches in order to have a descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet along George Street so as to meet the regulation of Magazine Street

Ordinances for digging out & filling in the follow^{g} of the said Streets agreably to aforegoing Regulations were then read & passed by the Board viz^{t}

"Harman Street from George Street to Rutgers Street"

"Henry Street from George Street to Charlotte Street"

"Colden Street from Chatham Street to George Street" And also for digging out Bedlow Street from George Street to Charlotte Street

Ordered that M^{r} Harsen examine the Injury done to Battery by the Ice & cause the necessary Repairs to be made thereto.

Ordered that Christopher Houser be permitted to transfer & assign his Lease of Lot N^{o} 21 in Augustus Street to Arch^{d} Taylor

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	Wm J Elsworth for lighting Lamps.....	£75: 4:—
issued	George Forman for print^{g} State of the Alms House in Hand Bills	3: 4:—
issued	John B Dash for a Stove in the Goal & Repairs to others	£11:18: 6

[132] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of March 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Nicholas Bayard Jacob De la Montagnie Cornelius C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Anthony Post Philip Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Thomas Storm Anthony Brown	Assistts

A Precept, purst to the Statute, having been issued for the empannelling & returning a Jury to appear at the Mayors Court for the Purpose of Assessing the Damages & Recompence due for a certain Lot of Ground belonging to Nicholas Gouverneur required to be taken for the purpose of opening & continuing Bancker Street into Pearl Street And the said Jurors having assessed the same at £1300 The said Nicholas Governeur now delivers to this Board a Release of the said Lot of Ground & Premisses for the Purposes aforesaid by him duly executed; which said Release was read & approved by the Board & deposited with the Clerk to be recorded & kept among the Corporation Deeds.

Ordered that a Bond from this Corporation to the said Nichs Governeur for the amount of the said Consideration Money be made with the Seal of this Corporation affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

[133] On reading Petitions for the Purpose the two followg Ordinances were respectively read & passed vizt

"A Law for paving Cherry Street from Cathn Street to George Street."*

"A Law for paving Harmen Street from Catharine Street to George Street"

On reading a Petition for digging out Coenties Slip It was ordered that when Pecks Slip is finished, Coenties Slip be next in order and then the Coffee House Slip.

A Proposal of Nichs J Roosevelt for the making a Survey of the City with the regulations of the Streets was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that the Committee on the erection of the new Watch House at the head of Chatham Street take order for procuring a small alarm Bell for that Building.

* Marginal note reads *repealed.*—Ed.

Ordered that Uzziah Coddington be appointed a Measurer of Lime.

Ordered that Matthew Howell be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 12 vice John Crooker dec^{d}

And John Hennegar to Hook & Ladder Com^{y} N° 1 vice Matthew West removed to Engine N° 1

And Thomas Rich to N° 20 vice Jn° Dawson resign'd

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t} towards new Alms H^{s}	£1000:—:—
iss^{d}	Arent Van Hook Gaoler for subsist^{g} criminal Prisoners in Jan^{y} & feb^{y} last	£231: 9:—
issued	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£3:10:—
iss^{d}	Alex^{r} Lamb for City Watchmen	£127:11: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£127:11: 6
issued	Christian Smith for the use of his House by the volunt^{y} Citizens Watch & fire Wood	£20:16:—
issued	Angevine & Adams for watching at the Goal	£9:16:—

[134] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of March 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Nich^{s} Bayard Theoph^{s} Beekman Nich^{s} C Roosevelt Jacob Delamontagne	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen Philip Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Anthony Post Anthony Brown	Assist^{s}

The Legislature having by Law provided that the appointment of Charter Officers for this City as also the Cities of Albany & Hudson should be made annually at any time during the Session of the Legislature And His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & Consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased during the present Session of the Legislature now convened at Albany to reappoint Richard Varick Esq^{r} to the Office of Mayor, Jacob John Lansing Esq^{r} to the Office of Sherif & Charles Dickenson to the Office of Coroner of this City for one Year And M^{r} Mayor and the Sherif & Coroner having in presence of the Board taken the respective Oaths of Office as prescribed by Law & the Charter of this City their respective Commissions were published with the usual solemnities

[135] On a request of the Health Commissioners in this City, communicated by M^{r} Mayor for the appointment of a standing Committee of this Board to confer with & aid them with their Advice &

to communicate to this Board all such Matters as shall from time to time require the interference of this Board in the due execution of the Health Office Law

Aldn Furman & Montangne & Mr Storm were appointed a Committee accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for digging out the White Hall Slip & to obtain the use of the Flatt Boats of the Commissioners for Fortifications, for that purpose.

A Proposal of Casimir Th: Goerick one of the City Surveyors to make a Survey of all the Streets in this City for a specific Sum; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Gilbert Van Mater for a Grant of a Water Lot at Brooklyn; was read & referred to the Ferry Committee

A Petition of the Widow Delamater for the use of a small Piece of the Common Lands whereon she now resides near the six Mile Stone, was read & referred to the Land Comtee

A Petition of Vine Elderkin to be a Collector of the public Slips & Wharfs Fees was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

On a consideration of the Rent to be paid by David Marshall for the House at Pottersfield Buryal Ground it was determined to be £10 for the present Year..

[136] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Gerrit Harsen towards Repairs to the public Wharfs & Slips	£692: 8: 3
issued	The same for Repairs to City Hall	137: 6: 3
issued	The same for his Services in superintendg the erection & repairg public Buildgs Wharfs &c done by order of this Board	180:—:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen	£127:11: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like	£128:13: 6
issued	Aldn Beekman on Acct towards Repairs to the Goal	£200:—:—
issued	Gerrit Harsen on Acct towards certain public Work to be done by order of the Board	£200:—:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of March 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Alda	Garret Harsen	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Anthony Post	
Jacob De laMontagnie		Nichs Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Mangle Minthorn	
Cornls C Roosevelt		Philip Arcularius	
		Thomas Storm	
		Anthony Brown	

[137] Ordered that the Law for paving Cherry St from Catharine Street to George Street be repealed And a Law for filling in Regulating & paving "the same Street from the West side of Catharine Street to George Street & the Street on both sides of the Market in Catharine Street to the Bulkhead in the Slip" was passed

On a report of the Street Committee it was ordered that the Old Slip & Beekman Slip Streets be paved according to the following Regulations vizt

Old Slip Street from Water Street to the Bulkhead of the Slip with a descent of 1½ Inch on every 10 feet

Beekman Slip Street from Water St to the Bulkhead of the Slip with the like descent of 1½ Inch on every 10 feet

Ordinances for paving the said two Streets were then read & passed by the Bd

Proposals of Robert Valentine for extending the Common Sewer of the Broad Street in the Slip for the Sum of £275: 16 was presented to the Bd and acceeded to And the Committee on the Subject of that Slip were directed to conclude a bargain with Mr Valentine & to take order for the making of the said Common Sewer accordingly

The Committee on the Subject of the Fish Market reported That in their Opinion it would be proper to erect a new Market in the place of the one destroyed by the late Fire, as soon as the Season will permit That in rebuilding the Market the uniformity already established should be [138] continued and that it should be extended from the south side of Front Street to the Door of the House occupied by John C Frecke that a proper Drain be laid the distance just mentioned and that the Market be built of Brick & covered in the same manner as the Upper Market By the Committees recommending the Market to be enlarged they wish to afford accommodation to the Country People as well as the Fishermen"

Robt Lenox
Theos Beekman

Which said Report was agreed to by the Board and the same Committee were directed to take order in the premises

A Memorial of Valentine Vaughan for compensation for removing Filth from the 6th Ward was read & rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Nichs Fisher for the use of his House by the Citizens Watch	£5:12:—
issued	William J Elsworth for lights Lamps.....	£75:15: 3

[139] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 4th day of April 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Robert Lenox Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Cornes C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer Antho Brown Philip Arcularius Thomas Storm — Assistts

Pursuant to the Statute for regulating Elections the Board proceeded to elect the Inspectors of the Ensuing Election for Senators and Members of Assembly & the following Persons were duly elected vizt

for the first Ward
Michael D Henry
Henry White
Rinier Suydam

for the second Ward
James Kent
Francis B Winthrop
Andrew Van Tuyl

for the third Ward
Philip Brasher
Theophilus Brower
John J Glover

for the fourth Ward
Abijah Hammond
Gulian McEvers
Benjamin Romaine

for the fifth Ward
DeWitt Clinton
James Roosevelt
Leonard Fisher

for the sixth Ward
George Janeway
Joshua Barker
Matthew Bolmer

for the seventh Ward
Henry Rutgers
William W Gilbert
Thomas Marston

[140] An Application of the Corporation of Trinity Church for a Regulation of a *Street lately laid out of 90 feet wide in the vicinity of Mr Lispenards; was read & referred to the Street Committee

* Marginal note reads *Hudson Street.*—Ed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be permitted to make a rain Water Cistern in the Street in front of his House at the old Slip under the direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Wd

The Street Committee made the follows Report on the Regulation of Cross Street from Magazine Street to the Street commonly called Potbakers Hill which was agreed to by the Board vizt

Ascending along the said Street with two Inches on 10 feet from the Kennel in Magazine Street to Potbakers Hill Street. The said Street will require filling in at the Kennel in Magazine Street 2 feet 11 Inches—thence at the extent of 60 feet further 5 feet—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 7 feet 4 Inches—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 9 feet 11 Inches—thence at the extent of 50 feet further likewise 9 feet 11 Inches thence at the extent of 85 feet further (being the Intersection of Colden Street 11 feet 8 Inches—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 12 feet 4 Inches thence at the extent of 95 feet further (being the intersection of Potbakers Hill Street) 14 feet 7 Inches."

An Ordinance for filling in the said Street agreable to the said Report was then read & passed by the Board.

[141] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	James Culbertson for City Watchn.....	£131: 8: 6
issued	Alexr Lamb for the like.....	£131: 8: 6
issued	Mangle Minthorn for fire Wood at Belle Vue Hospital..	£4: 2:11
issued	Aldn Roosevelt for Repairs to a Well in Barclay Street.	£0: 9:—
issued	Michl Brooks for paints Watchmens Caps.....	£8:—:—
issued	Peter Schermerhorn for Articles on Repairs to Goal....	£5: 3: 5

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th day of April 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Cornls C Roosevelt Robt Lenox Theophs Beekman Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer Philip Arcularius Anthony Post Anthony Brown Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Petition of Joseph Smith complains of *of* Interruptions by the River Boats at the Hoboock Ferry Stairs was read & referred to the Committee on the Subject of that Ferry.

On reading a Petition An Ordce was passed prohibiting Hay Boats from coming into the new Albany Bason after the 1st May next under the penalty of forty Shillings. vizt

[142] Be it ordained that no Hay shall be brought into or landed at the new Bason at Thames Street on Hudsons River after the first day of May next And if any Hay shall be brought into or landed at the said Slip after the first day of May next the Owner Master or Possessor of the Vessel in which such Hay shall be brought shall forfeit & pay as a fine the Sum of forty shillings for each Offence.

A Petition of John J Cornwell for one of the vacant Standings in the upper fly Market was read And it was ordered that the Treasr let him have one of those unoccup[i]ed & remaining unpaid by the late purchasors.

Ordered that Thomas Bushfield be appointed a Measurer of Grain in this City.

The Commissioners named in the Statute for widening & straitening John Street, delivered in their Assessment of the Monies paid by this Board for effecting that Purpose which was read & ratified by the Board And Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies mentioned & assessed in the said Assessment on a Commisn of 2½ pr Ct

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out Chatham Square was read & ratified by the Board And Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Peter Peterson & James Riley were appointed to execute the Work

An Estimate & Assessmt for paving Harman Street from Catharine Street to George Street was read & ratified by the Board And Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Henry Hulsart Thos J Stagg & Abm Stagg were appointed to execute the Work.

Ordered that the Treasurer report to the Board a Statement of the Corporation Revenue with the Names of the present possessors of their Real Estate & the Rents reserved.

[143] No Persons having presented or made any Offer to farm Belle Vue Hospital with the Land appertaining the Committee on that Subject informed the Board that Smith Fisher the present Occupant would continue thereon on such reasonable Rent as the Board should set & keep the same in good Order & Condition for one Year from the first day of May next, that if it should be wanted at any time in the Course of the Year as an Hospital the same or such part thereof as may be required for that purpose to be immediately surrendered

when required; Whereon the Board determined that Mr Fisher should continue in the use & occupation of it on the above Terms & Conditions for one Year from the first day of April Instant at the Rent of forty Pounds.

On reading a Representation of the Health Commissioners with respect to certain Nuisances Ordered that Aldn Furman take Order for causing the surface of the Streets at the head of the Old Slip & Beekmans Slip to be raised with wholesome Earth.

An Ordinance was passed requiring Peter P Van Zandt & Robert Carter to cause their Water Lot adjoining the Pier on the West side of Burlings Slip to be filled up & raised to a proper Heigth with good wholesome Earth by the first of June next under the Penalty of £100

Ordered that the White Hall, Coenties, Wall Street, Fly Market & Pecks Slips, be dug out & cleared of Filth without delay that Thomas Hazard be appointed to superintend the Laborers employed in [144] the Business with an allowance of twelve Shillings per day for his Service and that the Street Committee direct the number of Laborers to be employed

A Piece of Ground containing about 90 Lots parcel of the Land of Willm S Smith bounded on the Road leading from the Bowery Lane at the two Mile Stone to Greenwich having been purchased at public Auction & offered to this Board as a proper Place for a *public buryal Ground at the price of £1800. 10 PCt of the purchase Money to be paid immediately—one fourth of the Residue to be paid on the delivery of the Deeds & the Residue in two Payments of Sixty & ninety Days on approved Notes

The Board determined to take the same And it was ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay the said 10 Pr Ct amounting to £180† And also the said one fourth of Residue of the purchase Money amounting to £405 on the delivery of the Title Deed‡ And further that two Notes each for £607: 10/ the one payable in sixty Days & the other in ninety Days be made by Mr Mayor & the Treasurer to the Grantor on the delivery of the Deed.

Estimates & Assessments for the followg Streets were read & ratified by the Bd vizt

For paving Harman Street from Cathn to George Street.

[145] For filling in Cherry Street from George Street to Rutgers Street.

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* Marginal note reads *Pottersfield.*—Ed.
† Marginal note reads *Wt for £180 issued to Ephm Hart.*—Ed.
‡ Marginal note reads *Wt issued to Jacob Sebor for £450.*—Ed.

For paving Fisher Street from Bowery Lane to Division Street.

For digging out Charlotte Street from Division Street to Cherry Street.

For digging & filling Cherry Street from Rutgers to Clinton Street.

For digging & filling Clinton Street & part of Water Street.

Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies on the Assessments for Cherry Street from George to Rutgers Street Cherry Street from Rutgers to Clinton Street Clinton S^{t} & part of Water S^{t} Fishers S^{t} & Charlotte S^{t} And Henry Sherman Peter Saunders & W^{m} Butler to execute the Work of Cherry Street from George to Rutgers Street Fishers S^{t} & Charlotte S^{t} Henry Rutgers that of Cherry Street from Rutgers to Clinton S^{t} And Nich^{s} Romaine that of Clinton & part of Water Street And Waters Furman to collect the Monies on the Assessm^{t} for paving Harman Street & Henry Hulsart Tho^{s} J Stagg & Ab^{m} Stagg to execute the Work

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

	Timothy Folger for lamp Oil	£206:—:—
iss^{d}	Latham Bunker for the like	99:—:—
	John Gelston for the like	41:18: 4
	Robert Valentine for Centry Boxes	£23: 2: 6

[146] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of April 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
James Kent Esq^{r} Recorder

Theoph^{s} Beekman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Mangle Minthorn	Assist^{ts}
Jotham Post		Garret Harsen	
Jacob DelaMontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Gabriel Furman		Philip Arcularius	
Corn^{s} C Roosevelt		Thomas Storm	

James Kent Esq^{r} admitted & sworn a free Man of this City.

James Kent Esq^{r} attended & produced a Commission under the Great Seal of the State appointing him to the Office of Recorder of this City Whereupon he took & subscribed the Oaths prescribed & directed by Law & the Charter of this City & took his Seat accordingly.

A Petition for a public Road to the landing on M^{r} Waltons Land at Horns Hook for the use of the Ferry was read & referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Gerard Walton & others for removing an old Store House which obstructs the making & continuing of Front Street East of Pecks Slip was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a Letter from Col° Morton Ordered that the Common Council Chamber be assigned for holding the Courts for the trial of Causes of Ten Pounds & under.

[147] On reading a Petition for the purpose Ordered that a Well may be sunk in such part of Whitehall Street as the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward shall direct.

A Petition of Tho^{s} Ivers & others for relief against the Ordinance for digging out & filling in the Street at Corlaer's Hook was read & referred to the S^{t} Com^{tee}

On the application of the Inspectors of the State Prison Ordered that the western Moiety of the Bridewell be assigned for the confinem^{t} of the State Prisoners until the State Prison be erected & ready to receive them

Ordered that a Lease be executed to John Dow for Lot N° 28 in Augustus Street for 21 Years from 1st May 1780 at an annual Rent of £4.

The Board determined that they would make a Bulkhead across Burlings Slip on a line with the South side of front Street & extend the Common Sewer accordingly, if the neighborhood will engage to fill it up with good wholesome Earth.

A Represen[ta]tion of the Health Commiss^{rs} on the Subject of the Slip or Water Lot at the foot of Roosevelt Street (omitted [in] their Letter of the last Meeting) was read And the Street Committee were directed to inspect that Slip & report what is necessary to be done with it.

[148] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	Bernard Oblenus on Acc^{t} towards his Services as Clerk in the police Office.....	£30:—:—
issued	James Culbertson for City Watch^{n}.....	£131: 8: 6
issued	Alex^{r} Lamb for the like.....	£131: 8: 6
issued	Ald^{n} Beekman for ball^{ce} of his Acc^{t} for the Use of Houses in the 3^{d} W^{d} by Citizens Watch.....	£8: 8:—

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of April 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	
Jacob De la Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Philip Arcularius	

A Request of Jacob Morton Esqr to purchase the fee of two Lots at the Dove Tavern near the 5 Mile stone was read & rejected.

Ordered that Joseph Pierson be permitted to frame Timber for a House (he is about to erect in Marketfield Street) in front of the Old Slip for ten Days.

A Memorial of the Proprietors of Ground in the vicinity of the Ground lately purchased by the Bd for a public burying Ground, praying that it [149] may not be appropriated to that use; was read & referred to Aldn Lenox and De la Montagne & Mr Minthorn.

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the followg vizt

7000	of one penny	£29: 3: 4
7000	of two Pence	58: 6: 8
7000	of three pence	87:10:—
		£175:—:—

The Treasurer having by order of the Bd taken on Loan from Cornelius Clopper £500 on Interest at P Ct per annum A Bond to him for the same was read & approved by the Board & it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

A Draft of a Grant to John Murray Junr of the Water Lot on the East side of Wall Street Slip to extend his Lots to the new Street of 70 feet in breadth on the East River was read & approved and ordered to be engrossed.

A Petition of certain of the Inspectors of fire Wood; was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist. of the 6th & the Assist of the 4th Wds

Ordered that Aldn De la Montagnie & Post & Mr Arcularius be a Committee to report if any & what number of Watchmen are necessary to be posted in the 6th Ward

On a representation by the Inspectors of the State Prison Ordered that four additional Watchmen be employed two of them every Night at the Goal 'till the State Prisoners can be removed.

[150] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issued	Willson Rawson for lamp Oil	£1685: 6: 5¼
issued	Thomas Greenleaf for printg	£22: 5: 2
issued	Arent Van Hook Gaoler for subsistg criml Prisoners	£110: 19: 1
issued	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests	£30: 10: —
issued	Catharine Simmons for Committee Expences	£0: 13: 6
issued	Alexr Dougall for Iron Grates for the Bridewell	£268: 3: —
issued	Jacob Sherred for glazing City Hall	£2: 10: 8
issued	Willm Cooper for a lost fire Bucket	£0: 16: —
issued	James Hunt for 4 Do	£3: 4: —
issued	Bernard Rapalye 1 Do	£0: 16: —
issued	James Votey 1 Do	£0: 16: —

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 28th day of April *1796* [1797]

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Alda: Jacob De la Montagnie, Theophilus Beekman, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Nicholas Bayard, Robert Lenox, Cornelius C Roosevelt

Assists: Anthony Post, Mangle Minthorn, Thomas Storm, Garret Harsen, Anthony Brown, Philip Arcularius

[151] On reading a Representation of the Commissioners of the Health Office the following Ordinances were passed by the Board vizt

"A Law for paving Moore Street from the end of the present pavement thereof to the south side or front of south Street on the River."

"A Law for paving the Streets on both sides of the Old Slip from front Street to the River"

"A Law for paving Fletcher Street from front Street to the end thereof towards the River"

A Law for paving the Streets on both sides of Pecks Slip from Water Street to front Street"

"A Law for the paving of Oliver Street & the Streets on both sides of James's Slip from Cherry Street to the River"

"A Law for paving the Streets on both sides of the new Albany Bason on Hudsons River & also the Streets on both sides of Cortlandt Slip"

An Ordinance for raising south Street and all the Lots fronting on the said Street between White Hall Slip & Coenties Slip to such

heigth as that the Water will run freely into the River, by the 15th of June next under the Penalty of £50 to be paid by the Proprietor or Occupant of each Lot.

The like for filling & raising the Lots of Blaze Moore & Nevin Willson in the 2d Ward by the first July next—Penalty £100 each Lot

The like for the Lot of Wm Byron on the West side of the Fly Market Slip by the 15th June next Penalty £200

[152] The like for the Lots of Leffert Lefferts & John Jackson on the East side of Fletcher Street by the 15th June under the Penalty of £100 each.

The like for the Lots under the Stores on the West side of Pecks Slip by the 15th June—Penalty £50 each.

The like for Thomas Buckley's Lot on the East side of Pecks Slip by the 15th June. Penalty £50.

The like for John Thurmans Lots on the south side of Water Street by the 15th June next. Penalty £50 each

The like for Jonathan Dickensons Lot Et side of Roosevelt Street by 15th June penalty £50.

Ordered that John Jones be required without delay to cause the West side of Wall Street Slip to be paved.

to be published

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots fronting on front Street between Burlings Slip & Beekmans Slip & between Beekmans Slip & Pecks Slip be required without delay to cause the said front Street to be filled & raised to its proper heigth with good wholesome Earth.

Ordered that Carlilse Pollock & Coll McGregor be required to cause Carlisle Street to be raised to its proper heigth without delay from Greenwich Street to the River And that Carlisle Pollock & William McKenny be required to do the like as to Rector Street from Greenwich Street to the River.

Ordered that the Street Committee examine & report what is necessary to be done with the Street in front of the New Albany Bason.

[153] Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 2d & the Aldn of the first Ward confer with Thomas Ten Eyck on the expediency of widening the Street on the East side of Coenties Slip & the new paving of it And also to examine the Situation of Mr Astors Lot & the adjoining Lot

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of each Ward examine the Allies

in their respective Wards & to report such as may appear to be in a filthy or bad Condition

From a Statement of the Treasurer it appears that Thomas Lafoy Collector of the 4th & Richard Furman Collector of the 7th Wd are greatly in arrears on the last Years City Tax.

Thereupon Ordered that unless they do without delay pay into the Treasury the respective ballances due from them they be compelled thereto by Suits at Law.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay

issd Aldn Beekman on Acct towards Repairs to the Gaol.... £100:—:—

[154] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 1st May 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Theophilus Beekman, Jotham Post, Jacob De la Montagnie, Robert Lenox, Nicholas Bayard

Assistts: Mangle Minthorn, Antho Post, Thomas Storm, Antho Brown, Nichs Carmer, Philip Arcularius, Garret Harsen

The Committee of Accts reported that they had duly examined the Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them just & right

Those of the Alms House amounts to..... £2623: 7: 3
Those of the Bridewell to..... 318: 5: 8

An Estimate of the Commissrs of the Monies required for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House..... £3000:—:—
For the Bridewell..... 400:—:—

issued Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for the payment thereof accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor & the Treasurer negociate a loan of five thousand Dollars with the Bank of New York to be repaid out of the Monies arising from the present or ensuing Tax.

A Petition from several Persons who are subjects of the Assessmt for raising the Monies expended in straitening & widening John Street complaining that the Assessment does not include that part of John Street between Nassau Street & the Broad Way; was read And the Board determined that no Relief could be given in the premisses

[155] A Petition for the new paving of Ferry St near the Mouth of the Common Sewer was read & referred to the Street Committee

An Application of Cortlandt Van Bueren to hire the Powder Magazine at Inchlam Bergh was read & referred to Aldn Furman & Beekman & Mr Minthorn.

A Request of James Heldon for compensation for his trouble in discovering the Perpetrators & recovering the public Gun Powder lately stolen from the public Magazine was read & referred to the same Committee.

Ordered that John Dominick be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Compy No 2.

And George Ricker to Engine No 5 vice Abm Echart resigned.

Ordered that the Commissrs take order for removing the Inhabitants out of the old into the new Alms House.

And that Mr Recorder & Aldn Lenox & Dela Montagnie be a Committee to report Regulations for the Alms House.

On a Report of the Aldn & Assistts of the respective Wards. Ordinances for paving & filling up the followg Lots Allies or Cart Passages vizt

A Lot belonging to the Estate of Henry Kip decd at the Corner of Dover Street to be raised & filled by the 15th June next under the penalty of £40.

And for raising & paving the following Cart Passages by the 15th June next under the penalty of £40 for each. vizt

[156] John Suydams in front Street.....2d Wd
James A Maxwells front St.....2d Ward
Joseph Hallets front St.....2d Ward
The Heirs of Wm Lupton decd front St.....3d Wd
Samuel Farmers Water St.....3d Wd
Saml Francklins occupied by Anthony Ernest Water St.....5th Wd
Dover Street So side Water St.....5th Wd
Wm Laights & Joseph Rose's Water Street.....5th Wd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Gerrit Harsen on Acct towards public Works.....	£300:—:—
issued	Wm Sloo Junr for conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£4: 5:—
issued	Abm Hurd for a Bulkhead at Deys Slip.....	£140:10:—
issued	Alexr Lamb for City Watchmen.....	£134:14: 6
issued	James Culbertson for the like.....	£134:14: 6
issued	Wm J Elsworth for lightg Lamps.....	£75:15: 8
issued	Geo. Janeway for Beer & Grain at Belle Vue.....	£13: 9: 6
issued	Jona Hardman for Work at Belle Vue.....	£1:16: 6
issued	John & Gilbt Coutant for sundry Articles at Belle Vue..	£11:10:11
issued	The Clerks at the late Genl Election.....	£40:—:—

Alexander Lamb being appointed Keeper of the State Prison resigned his Office of a Superintend[t] of the City Watch and Nicholas Lawrence was appointed in his stead.

[157] The Board then proceeded to examine the Bye Laws & Ordinances for the good Rule & Gov[t] of the Inhabitants within this City & the following were passed & published to be in force for one Year viz[t]

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the admission of Freemen in the City of New York"

'A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the paving & keeping in Repair & to prevent obstructions in the Streets in the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing & extinguishing of Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the landing & sale of Hay in the City of New York"

[158] "A Law to regulate the Sale of fire Wood in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale & cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs & in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of wharfage."

"A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Fences in the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other obstructions in the River within the Limits & Jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Horses going loose or at large in the Streets of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Goats going at large in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Horses in the City of New York"

[159] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th day of May 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer
Jotham Post		Antho Brown
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Post
Robert Lenox		Philip Arcularius
		Thomas Storm
		Garrit Harsen

Assistts

The engrossed Grant of a Water Lot on the East side of Wall Street Slip to John Murray Junr was read and approved And it was ordered by the Board that *that* the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Bd to be delivered to Mr Murray on his executing the counterpart thereof

The Bd proceeded to the appointment of a Keeper of the Bridewell and Peter Cole & William Sloo were respectively nominated And on the Question being taken a majority appeared in favor of Peter Cole Whereupon the said Peter Cole was appointed accordingly

A Letter from the Comptroller of the State relative to certain Arrears of Quit Rents due on the several Charters of this City was read & referred to the Treasurer

On reading a Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in the vicinity complains of the ruinous State of the Wharf on the north side of Cortlandt Slip It was ordered that the Proprietors of Lots on Washington Street [160] between Cortlandt Slip & Deys Slip be required to make the said Street in good Order & that the Proprietor of the Wharf, or pier along the North side of Cortlandt Slip cause the same to be repaired & also put in good Order by the 15th June next or that this Board will proceed agt them on the Covenants of their respective Grants.

A Petition of Frederick Rhinelander for a Grant of the Soil under the Water & to make a Bulkhead & immediately to proceed to the filling in of the same in front of his Brewery; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Widow Dunlap & others for compensation for ground thrown out for the straitening and widening of John Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Treasurer dispose of such of the Standings in the upper Fly Market as are unpaid for by the late purchasors to such licensed Butchers as have served regular Apprenticeships on their paying the Sums at which they sold with Interest

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Cherry Street from the West side of Cathⁿ Street to Gold Street & Catharine Street on both sides of the Market was read & ratified by the Board And Arthur Smith was appointed to collect the Monies on the said Estimate & to pave the said Street on his giving Bond with good Surety for the faithful performance thereof

[161] A Petition of Charles Thomas for the use of part of the Lot whereon the Labratory is erected at the Battery on the Corner of Pearl & State Streets was read & rejected And Mʳ Harsen was directed to cause the said Ground to be put in fence.

Ordered that applications for paymᵗ of lost fire Buckets be allowed only in Cases where the demand is made within two Months after loss of the Bucket

Ordered that Joseph Marshall be appointed a fire Man to Engine Nº 5 vice Caleb Pell And Nathaniel Horton to Nº 13 vice Jeronimus Alstyne resigned

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasurer to pay

issᵈ	James Loines for 3 lost fire Buckets @ 6/ each.....	£0:18:—
issᵈ	Ann Towers for 2 dº.....	1:12:—
issᵈ	George Pick for repairs Powder Hˢ.....	7:14:—
issᵈ	Nichˢ Carmer for ballᶜᵉ of his Accᵗ in the buildg of the lower Fly Marktˢ.....	277:13: 6
issᵈ	The same for the like in the buildg of the new Watch Hˢ	252:17: 8

A Letter from the Commissʳˢ of the Health Office was read stating that they find it will be necessary to employ four decent & discreet Men to attend to the prompt execution of the Laws & Ordinances for cleaning the City and also four Laborers to sweep & collect the Dirt & Filth at certain public Places; and also to hire two permanent Places for depositing the Dirt one on the East & the other on the West

side of the City. And that the Expence attending the same will for three Months be as follows viz[t]

[162] 4 Superintendants 13 Weeks 6 Days each is 312 Days @ 12/	£187: 4:—
4 Laborers for the same @ 7/	109: 4:—
4 Lots of Ground in the 7[th] W[d] of John T Smith for one Year..	35:—:—
Fencing the same	35:—:—
60 feet Square on Rhinelanders Dock 1 Year	75:—:—
Fencing the same	15:—:—
The whole Expence for three Months will be.....	£336: 8:—

Whereupon the B[d] determine that they approve of the above Measures & that they will provide for the Expence

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15[th] day of May 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
James Kent Esq[r] Recorder

Jacob De la Montagnie		Mangle Minthorn
Theoph[s] Beekman		Anthony Post
Jotham Post	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Nich[s] Carmer — Assist[ts]
Robert Lenox		Philip Arcularius
Corn[s] C Roosevelt		Anthony Brown

A Petition of W[m] Sloo on the subject of the appointment of Peter Cole as keeper of the Bridewell was read And a Motion was made to reconsider the appointment made at the last Meeting of Peter Cole and the Question being put on the said Motion [163] it was carried in the Negative.

The B[d] proceeded to open the sealed Proposals delivered into the Clerks Office agreable to notification in the News Papers for supplying this City with Water and on reading them they appeared to be from the following Persons viz[t] Taylor & Newton—Hugh S M[c]Clennan Peter Banner—William Harris Nich[s] J Roosevelt—John Page Christopher Colles.

And they were referred to the Committee on the Proposals of Joseph Brown & his Associates on the same subject read 28[th] Dec[r] last (viz Ald[n] Lenox & Furman & M[r] Post—And M[r] Recorder & Ald[n] DelaMontagnie were added to the Committee.

Hugh Montgomery attended the Board & signified his Reasons for declining to collect the Monies assessed for the widening & straitening of John Street.

Whereupon John S. Delamater was appointed in his stead.

Ordered that the Commitee on the subject take order for the purchasing of a fire Engine in the place of Engine N[o] 1.

Ordered that Garret B Abeel be appointed to Estimate & Assess the Expence of paving both sides of James's Slip in the stead of Archibald Kerly who is going into the Country.

Ordered that Jehiel Jagger, Thomas Ferdon Stephen Stilwill & Charles White be appointed Fire Men to Engine N° 21 vice John Bedient & Gideon Kimberley removed out of Town [164] And Gerardus Riker to Engine N° 14 vice Thomas Stagg resigned

Ordered that the Aldⁿ & Assist of the Wards take order for numbering the Houses in Catharine Harmen Division & George Streets & the Bowery Lane to Thomas Whites & Broadway to Cathⁿ Lane

The Committee on the Memorial of the Proprietors of Ground in the vicinity of the Ground lately purchased by the Board for a public burying Ground praying that it may not be appropriated to that use, reported as follows vizᵗ

"That they have viewed a Piece of Ground which the Petitioners will purchase at their own Costs & convey the same to the Corporation for a public Cemetry and find it well calculated for the purpose so far as that is removed a convenient Distance from the Greenwich and Albany Roads, that the Soil is sandy & covered with Brush which will hide the Graves & yet not interfere with digging them: But the Committee are obliged to remark that to get to this Ground, the Hearse, the great subject of Complaint must travel either of the Roads above mentioned. The Committee further Report that the Petitioners are willing to grant this Piece of Ground to the Corporation at such a Price as they think it amply worth and either take the other Lot at the Price it cost or let it remain with the Board.

The present Ground if converted into the use contemplated by the Board will certainly, under present Impressions be [165] of Injury to the Petitioners and they appear so sensible of this fact that they are disposed to make considerable Sacrifice to remove it. The Ground they offer is certainly an eligible Place in every Respect except the one above mentioned"

Whereupon the Question was raised that the Potters field be continued as the Burying Ground and it was carried in the Negative as follows vizᵗ

Negative.	Affirmative
Mʳ Recorder	Aldⁿ Post
Aldⁿ Dela Montagnie	Aldⁿ Lenox
Mʳ Post	Aldⁿ Roosevelt
Mʳ Arcularius	Mʳ Carmer
Mʳ Minthorn	Mʳ Brown

The Bd being equally divided Mr Mayor voted in the Negative.
Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Adrian Bogert for Repairs to Pumps in the 4th Ward...	£36: 5:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen.....	139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	139: 2: 6
issd	Wm Walton for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	1:12:—
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to Pumps in the 5th Wd.....	6:15:—
issued	David Burger for inspects the cleans of Streets 3d Wd..	10:—:—
issued	David Marshall for superintends Potters field Burying Ground	16: 2:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for ballce of his Acct Lamp Department	72:16:—

[166] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of May 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob DelaMontagnie
Robert Lenox
Jotham Post
Theophs Beekman
Cornelius C Roosevet
} Esqrs Aldn

Nichs Carmer
Philip Arcularius
Anthony Brown
Anthony Post
Mangle Minthorn
} Assists

A Petition for the paving of Chambers Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Thomas Marston & Henry Kip for a Grant of the Soil or Water Lots from the extent of their former Grants out to South Street on the East River was read & granted & Drafts of the Grants to them were ordered to be prepared accordingly.

An Ordinance *was passed* for digging out & filling in Division Street from the West side of George Street to the East side of Charlotte Street was passed by the Board.

Also for paving Catharine Street from the present Pavement to the Bowery Lane

A petition from Joseph Newton to make a Vault & Area in the Street in front of his House in Dey Street was read & granted

A Petition from the late Purchasors of the Common Lands on the subject of Roads was read & referred to the Road Committee.

[167] The Bd determine that a Bulkhead be made across the Slip, opposite to Roosevelt Street, to correspond with the Bulkhead of Jons Dickensons Lot and the Common Sewer of that Street be continued in like manner as at the Exchange Slip And that the Aldn & Assist of the Ward take order for the execution thereof

A Proposal of Nich^{s} Romayne offering to convey of his Lands at Corlaers Hook for public uses was read & referred to the Street Committee.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving at the Old Slip was read & ratified by the Board and W^{m} Gilbert was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John Gartsee to execute the Work.

The like for paving at Beekmans Slip and Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and George Gosman & John Moore to execute the Work.

A further Representation of the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office as to the filthy State of certain Lots was read & thereupon Ordinances for filling up the follow^{g} Lots were read & passed by the B^{d} viz^{t} The Water Lots fronting the East River between the Old Slip & Gouverneurs Alley belonging to the Estate of Jacob Walton dec^{d} And to Thomas Randall, Theophilacte Bache & Carlisle Pollock to be raised & filled with good wholesome Earth to such Heig*th*ths as that the Water falling thereon will run off freely into the River by the first day of Aug^{t} next under a penalty of £100 for each Lot [168] The like Lots between Gouverneurs Alley & the Wall Street Slip belonging to the Estate of Joseph Griffiths dec^{d} & to Joseph Hallet to be raised & filled in like manner by the first day of July next under the penalty of £50 for each Lot

The Lots of Samuel Thurston, John C Freecke and Elizabeth Stilwill and the Cellar of a House occupied by William Simmons and the Cellar of a Store House occupied by Archer Pellerin & C^{o} all in Fletcher Street between Front Street & the River to be raised and filled in like manner by the first day of July next under the Penalty of £50 in each Case.

The Lots of Joseph Winter, Samuel Thorne Samuel Ackerly and Archibald Gracie on the South side of Water Street in the 5th Ward and John Moore's Lot in the 3^{d} Ward, to be raised and filled in like manner by the first day of Aug^{t} next under the penalty of £50 in each case.

Ordered that The Treas^{r} settle with the Collectors of Taxes & peremtorily demand of them their respective Ballances & report to the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen.

An Ordinance for digging out Winne S^{t} from S^{t} Nicholas Street to Bayard Street so as to drain off the Stagnant Water was read & passed by the B^{d}

The Clerk laid before the B^{d} the Returns of the People called

Quakers who refuse to perform military Service & he was directed to make Lists of them as by Law is prescribed & directed.

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared for fencing in and removing the filth [169] & Dirt from certain open Lots on the West side of the Broad Way belonging to W^m S. Smith.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treas^r to pay.

iss^d	The Commiss^rs of the Health Office on Acc^t.....	£300:—:—
iss^d	James M Hughes for D^r & engross^g Deed &^c for the Land lately purchased for a Burying Ground.....	6: 4:—
iss^d	John Howell for Lamp Oil.....	£68: 2: 7
iss^d	Isaac Hicks for the like.....	446:16:—
iss^d	Rinier Skaats 1 Q^r Services & disbursem^ts.....	22:14: 6
iss^d	Smith Fisher for Services at Belle Vue.....	36:—:—
iss^d	The Treas^r of the State of New York for Quit Rents reserved in the several Charters of this City.....	£82: 8:—

[170] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29^th day of May 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r Mayor
James Kent Esq^r Recorder

Theoph^s Beekman Gabriel Furman Ab^m De La Montagnie Jotham Post Robert Lenox Cornelius C Roosevelt	Esq^rs Ald^n	Anthony Post Thomas Storm Nich^s Carmer Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn	Assist^ts

A Petition from Matthias Wessels for permission to make a Shed to the Catharine Slip Market to vend Fish was read and referred to the Ald^n & Assist of the 5^th & the Assist of the 7^th Wards.

A Petition of Ann Byvanck & others against the paving of Ferry Street was read & rejected.

On Motion the Board proceed[ed] to reconsider the Question whether the Ground commonly called the Potters field should be continued in the use of a burying Ground and it was determined in the Negative. And thereupon the Land Committee were directed to take order for preparing the Ground lately purchased as a burying Ground & for the erection of a House for the Superintend^t

[171] An application was made for leave to occupy & use half the breadth of Wall Street and of William Street in the erection of the *two Buildings for Banking Houses.

*Marginal note reads *Bank of New York & Branch Bank of United States.*—ED.

A Petition ag^{t} the Inconvenience arising from the Spout of the Tea Water Pump projecting over the Street was read & referred to the Ald^{n} & Assistant of the 6th & the Assist^{t} of the 7th Wards.

Ordered that the same Committee enquire into the State of the Tan Yard of John Livingston & others which it is suggested now lies open with the Fats exposed to the great Danger of the Children & others passing through the same.

A Petition of W^{m} Bowne for Relief ag^{t} the Assessment for straitening & widening of John Street was read & it was determined that this Board could give no Relief in the Premisses

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Colden Street from Chatham Street to George Street & Cross Street from Magazine Street to Pot bakers Hill was read & ratified & George Janeway was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to execute the Work on his giving Bond in the penalty of £100 Pounds to perform it by the first day of October next

Ordered that M^{r} Harsen contract with a proper Person to continue the Common Sewer of Burlings Slip to the Bulkhead in like manner as that at the Exchange Slip

[172] An Estimate & Assessm^{t} for digging out Harmen Street was read & ratified And Henry Hulshart Thomas J Stagg & Ab^{m} Stagg were appointed to execute the Work & Benjamin North to collect the Monies on the said Assessment

Ordered that the Street Committee cause a Survey to be made of Chambers Street and a Plan of the intended Common Sewer from the Alms House Gaol & Bridewell to Hudsons River & to report the same to the Board.

An Ord^{ce} was passed by the Board for filling up the Lot under John Clarke's Shop & Store House on the South side of Water Street in the 5th Ward by the 1st day of July next under the Penalty of £50.

The three follow^{g} Reports were respectively read & agreed to by the B^{d} viz^{t}

"The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Frederick Rhinelander Report that they are of Opinion a Grant ought to be made to the Petitioner out as far as the permanent Line, he paying the Quit Rent established by the Corporation; after his paying as a Consideration for the Ground between high & low Water Mark four hundred Pounds The quantity of Ground is ascertained to be four Lots & an half of twenty five feet by one hundred feet.

The Street Committee on the Petition of Hugh Gaine Report that they have ascertained the quantity of Ground from high to low Waters

Mark in front of the Petitioners Lots & find it to be five Lots & two fifth's, of 25 feet by 100. After the Petitioner has paid four hundred Pounds therefor the Committee are of Opinion a Grant ought to be made out to the permanent Line subject to the established Quit Rent

May 25th 1797

Gabriel Furman
Anthy Post
Mangle Minthorne
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown

[173] The Road Committee on the Petition of the purchasors of the Common Lands on the subject of Roads

Report that they are of Opinion the Prayer of the Petition ought to be granted and that Measures should be taken to make such of the Roads as are most necessarily & immediately required passable.

May 25th 1797

Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Anthy Post
Mangle Minthorne
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown

Ordered that the Road Committee give the necessary Directions for making the said Roads accordingly

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct towds New Alms Hs.....	£1200:—:—
issd	Wm Sloo for taking Fish for Alms Hs & Bridl.....	£20:—:—
issd	Valentine Vaughan for Repairs to a Pump 6th Wd.....	£10:—:—
issd	John Hutson for sweeps Chimnies at the Goal.....	£6:—:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for lighting Lamps.....	£75: 7: 4
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Robt Valentine for extends Exchge Slip Com Sewer....	£280·19:—
issd	Arondt Van Hook for subsists criml prisoners.....	£35:—:—

[174] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday June 5th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Jacob DelaMontagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm — Assistts

Ordered that Mr Mayor & the Treasr negociate a further loan with the Bank of New York of 5000 Dollars for defraying the current public Expences until the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected

Thomas Franklin attended the Board and being affirmed informed the Board that he was present & heard James Savage utter very disrespectful & abusive Words respecting the Conduct and Character of the Members of this Board. And the said James Savage having neglected or refused to attend this Board altho' summoned. Whereupon it was ordered that the said James Savage be & he is hereby removed & discharged from his Office of an Inspector of fire Wood at Beekmans Slip.

An Ordinance for paving the Street on each side of the Fly Market from Front Street to the River was read & passed by the Board.

[175] Aldn De la Montagnie from the Committee for the purpose appointed reported that they had purchased a fire Engine of Wm J Elsworth for £130 which was approved by the Bd

A List of Persons to be appointed fire Men to the said Engine was read & referred to the same Committee to enquire into their Characters.

The Bd having determined to fill up their Water Lot in front of Roosevelt Street & to extend the Common Sewer into the River to prevent its becoming a Nuisance And it appearing necessary that the adjoining Water Lot of Saml Ackerly should *be fill* be filled in like manner to the same distance An Ordinance requiring Mr Ackerly to fill up the said Water by the first day of August under the penalty of £100 was passed by the Bd

A Proposal of James Riley & Peter Peterson to fill up Roosevelt Slip for 115 Dollars was agreed to by the Bd

Ordered that John Striker be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 3 vice Elias Van Derlip resigned.

A Representation of the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office to employ two additional Persons to aid in the execution of the Regulations for cleansing the City & also to erect a certain number of necessary Houses at proper Places on the Wharfs was read & approved of by the B^{d}

[176] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

issued	Wm J Elsworth for a new fire Engine.....	£130:—:—
issd	Jacob Tabellie on Acc^{t} for super^{s} the cleans of the Streets	£40:—:—
issd	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t} towards the erection of a New Fish Market	£500:—:—
issd	Garret Harsen on Acc^{t} for certain public Work by order of the B^{d}.....	£200:—:—
issd	Hugh Montgomery for paving the public's part at Beekmans Slip.....	£124:—:—
issd	Ithamar Healy for subsisting a pauper removed from the Country	£1: 4:—
issd	John Borris for Expences of canvassing Votes for Members of Assembly.....	£16:—:—
issd	Bogert & C^{o} for Repairs to a Pump at the Corner of Church S^{t}	£1:11:—

[177] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday June 19th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
James Kent Esq^{r} Recorder

Theoph^{s} Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie, Corn^{s} C Roosevelt, Jotham Post, Nich^{s} Bayard } Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}

Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, Anthony Brown, Nich^{s} Carmer } Assist^{ts}

The Treasurer represented to the Board that a further loan of Monies will be necessary for defraying the current Expences & present demands on the Treasury

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor & the Treasurer negociate a further loan of 5000 Dollars with the Bank of New York accordingly.

A Petition of W^{m} Carver for some Compensation for the loss of his Buildings removed from a Lot at the Alms House was read & rejected.

Another Petition from the same Person to be appointed Superintendant of the new burying Ground was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

A Petition of Ebenezer Brush for a further Grant of his Water Lot into Hudsons River was read & referred to the Street Committee

[178] A Petition of some of the Debtors confined in Goal for permission to remove certain of the Grates from the Windows for the admission of more light & air was read & referred to the Committee on Repairs to the Gaol to take order thereon.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Neighborhood complaining of the exposed Situation of the Tan Yard of John R Livingston in the vicinity of the fresh Water Pond made Report on the Subject And thereupon An Ordinance was passed by the Board requiring John R Livingston to cause the said Tan Yard to be enclosed with a good Fence & the Tan Vats to be filled up with good wholesome Earth (unless immediate Use is made thereof in the tanning Business) by the first day of Aug^{t} next under the Penalty of £100.

An Ordinance was also passed for requiring Andrew Stockholm to fill up his Lot to a proper heighth with good wholesome Earth by the first day of Sept^{r} next under the Penalty of £100.

Ordered that Valentine Arnold be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood vice James Savage removed from Office

On reading a Petition of the neighborhood and Ordinance was passed for filling all the low & sunken Lots on the southwest side of Magazine Street by the first day of Sept^{r} next under the penalty of £50 each Lot

[179] The Committee on the subject of the Petition of Matthew Bolmer & others complain^{g} of the obstruction in Chatham Street caused by the Tea Water Pump delivering its Water in the Street & by the Water Carts being drawn up across the Street when about to receive Water, report that they have viewed the Premisses & find the matters & Things set forth in the Petition to be true.

That the Committee have maturely considered the Premisses & are of Opinion that the said Obstruction may be removed (at no great Expence to M^{r} Thompson the present Occupant & part Proprietor of the Premisses) by causing the Spout of the said Pump to be raised about two feet and by lengthening it so as to deliver the Water at the outer part of the paved Walk which would permit foot Passengers to pass thereunder without inconvenience and if the said Water Carts were ordered to draw up abreast of the Spout near the Gutter & receive the Water in rotation it would remove the obstruction in the S^{t} And your Committee recommend that, in order to carry the above Regulations into effect, Chatham Street from Magazine S^{t} to the Lot

of Mr Snydor in said Street be regulated & paved with a brick Walk in the usual Way And also that the East side of said Street from Pearl Street to Roosevelt Street be regulated & paved in like manner

Jacob De la Montagnie
Mangle Minthorn
Anthº Brown

[180] The Board agree to the said Report & order the same Committee to direct the same to be carried into effect except the paving of the Street—which is postponed for the present

The Committee on the Petition of the Wood Inspectors on Hudson River report that they have had a Meeting with the said Inspectors, that an agreement hath taken place between them by which they are in future to divide the profits arising from the Inspection of fire Wood on Hudsons River once in every Week and also to assist each other in the Duties of their respective Office in their several Districts; in consequence your Committee are of Opinion that nothing further is necessary to be done in the Premisses.

Ordered that John Slidell Senr may make a Vault & Area to his new House in the Broad Way.

And that Daniel Hitchcock be permitted to take up Whitehall St to incert in the Common Sewer a private drain from the Lots of James Watson & others on his putting in good Order the Street when the Work is done.

Ordered that the Comtee on Repairs to the Bridewell & Goal cause more Oil Vats to be made in the adjoining Cellar And Also that they direct a suffᵗ number of close Stools to [be] made for the prisoners in Goal.

Ordered that Richd T Lawrence be appointed a Fire Man to Engine Nº 18 vice Robt Mott resigned John Evans to Engine Nº 20 vice John Woodward resigned. & John Breath to Nº 18 vice Walter Bowne resigned.

[181] Ordered that the Treasr pay Eleanor Van Bremen the issd Interest of the £60 deposited for the support of her Bastard Child.

David Harriot appointed to collect the Monies on the Assessment for paving of Oliver Street reported that the Sum of £12:7:3 assessed on the Lot of Ann Dealing remains unpaid & that he cannot find any distress on the said Lot whereon to levy the said Sum.

Ordered that such Proceedings be had for the recovery of the said Money as by Law is prescribed & directed

Richard Furman Collector of the Bowery Division of the 7th Wd

having all last Winter been afflicted with a severe fit of Sickness & from which he is but lately recovered & he being in consequence considerably in arrear in the collection of the last Years Tax

Ordered that the Treasurer take his Note with a good Endorser for the Ballce due from him payable in 30, 60 & 90 Days in order that a final settlement may be made of the last Years Tax

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for the taking down of the old Alms House.

Ordered that a Warrant of Atty from this Bd to Gerrit Harsen be made out with the Common Seal affixed to authorize & enable him as Atty of this Bd to receive & take the Possession of a certain Lot of Ground in the vicinity of the new Alms House & recovered by Writt of Right against Samuel La Rue

*[181] Ordered that application be made to the Comptroller of the State of New York for a Warrant on the State Treasr for the Money appropriated to this City & County by the Act for the encouragemt of Schools.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issued	Arondt Van Hook for subsisting criminal Prisoners in Goal	£24:16:—
issd	Bernard Oblenis Clerk of the Police Office for ballce of his Acct	11:17: 4
issued	John Fleming for superintendg the cleang of Streets 5th Wd	£10:—:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	John Smith for repairg a Pump & cleang a Well in Eagle St 7th Wd	£6: 4: 2
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for repairg Pumps in the 6th Wd	£1: 6:—

[182] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday June 26th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Jacob De la Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown	
Gabriel Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Post	
Cornes C Roosevelt		Thomas Storm	
Robert Lenox		Garret Harsen	

Archibald Kerly, Gent admitted & sworn a free man of this City

On reading a Representation of the Commissrs of the Health Office.

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

An Ordinance was passed requiring Mr Kennedy to fill up to a proper Heighth with good wholesome Earth so that the Water will run off into the River the Street or Wharf in front of his Lots on the East side of the fly Market ferry Stairs by the first day of August next under the penalty of £100.

An Ordinance was ordered to be prepared for paving the side Walks on each side of the exchange Slip Street

A Petition of James Boyd & others for the use of one of the large Rooms in the Hall for Elihu Palmer* to make an Oration was read & rejected.

A Petition of George Pick for compensation for the Buildings removed from a Lot at the new Alms & recovered by this Corporation was read & rejected.

[183] An Estimate & Assessment for digging out Bedlow Street was read & ratified by the Board & the appointment of Persons to Collect the Monies & to execute the Work was postponed

The like for Henry Street and Benja North was appointed to collect the Monies & Daniel Raveau & John Smith were appointed to execute the Work.

A Petition for a Well in new Street was read & granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Wd

An Ordinance for paving Herman Street from George Street to Charlotte Street was passed by the Board

A further proposal of Jacob Blackwell to give in exchange a greater [amount] of Land for that lately purchased for a burying Ground was read & the consideration thereof postponed

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men vizt

Engine No 9 Jacob Housman vice John Clark resigned.

No 19 Wm D Vermillie vice Robert Seaman resigned.

No 23 Robt Allen vice John Brown resign'd & the followg additional.

Thomas Heckle	Sebe Binckerhoff
William Day	Henry Fassaur
Isaac Hatfield	Martin Myers
Yellis Mandeville	David Concklin
Enos Vail	Elijah Pinckney

[184] The followg Reports of the Street Committee were respectively read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The present Street Committee having examined the following Regulations, made under the Direction of the Street Committee the 7th Decr 1795, of Broad Way from Barley Street to the Arched Bridge—

* Marginal note reads *An Infidel.*—Ed.

of Chappel Street from Barley to Leonard Street—of Barley Street from Broad Way to Chappel Street—of Catharine Street from Broad Way to Chappel Street—of Leonard Street from Broad Way to Chappel Street—of Anthony Street from Broad Way to Ann Street and thence to Catharine Street and of Catharine Street to the Fresh Water Pond. & of Magazine Street from Broad Way to Ann Street & of Catharine from Broad Way to Ann Street

Regulation of Broad Way from Barley Street to the Arched Bridge

"Ascent from Barley Street to the Intersection of Magazine Street with 1½ Inch on 10 feet; in consequence Broad Way will require digging at the Intersection of Magazine Street 4 feet 9 Inches Thence ascending 120 feet distance & descending 120 feet to the Intersection of Catharine Street—in consequence it will require digging at the extent of 120 feet from the Intersection of Magazine Street 7 feet 4 Inches, and at the Intersection of Catharine Street 6 feet 1 Inch [185] Thence ascending 111 feet 6 Inches and descending the same distance with 1½ Inches on 10 feet to the Intersection of Leonard Street. in consequence Leonard Street will require digging 15 feet 6 Inches. Thence descending with 2 $\frac{3}{10}$ Inches on 10 feet to the arched Bridge; in consequence it will require digging at the extent of 125 feet from the Intersection of Leonard Street 16 feet Thence at the extent of 150 feet further 19 feet 7 Inches—thence at the extent of 125 feet further 21 feet 6 Inches—thence at the extent of 125 feet further 22 feet 10 Inches thence at the extent of 125 feet further 15 feet 10 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 11 feet 5 Inches thence at the extent of 100 feet further 4 feet 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further it will require raising 7 Inches & the arched Bridge will remain at it's present heighth being 10 feet 7 Inches above the surface of the Meadow

Regulation of Chappel Street from Barley S^{t} to Leonard Street

"Descent from Barley Street to Leonard Street with 1 $\frac{58}{100}$ Inch on 10 feet in consequence it will require raising at the intersection of Magazine Street 7 feet 3 Inches—at the intersection of Catharine [186] Street 4 feet 3 Inches & at the intersection of Leonard Street 4 feet 6 Inches being the heighth from the surface of the Meadow for the proposed Canal.

Regulation of Barley Street from the regulation of Broad Way to Chapel Street

"Descent from Broad Way to Chapel S^{t} 1 $\frac{9}{10}$ Inch on 10 feet—in consequence it will require to be dug at the extent of 146 feet from

Broad Way 4 feet 9 Inches At the extent of 125 feet further 3 feet 8 Inches—at the intersection of Church Street 2 feet 5 Inches. thence at the extent of 120 feet further 1 foot 1 Inch—thence at the extent of 100 feet further it will require raising 5 Inches—at the extent of 100 feet further 1 foot 9 Inches & at the intersection of Chapel S^{t} 1 foot 6 Inches

Regulation of Catharine Street from the Regulation of the Broad Way to Chapel Street

"Descent from Broad Way (after being dug 6 feet 1 Inch) to Chapel Street with 3 1/10 Inch on 10 feet—in consequence it will require to be dug at the extent of 216 feet from Broad Way 18 feet 5 Inches At the extent of 210 feet further 25 feet at the extent of 43 feet further 23 feet 7 Inches—at the intersection of Church S^{t} 7 feet 9 Inches—at the extent of 100 feet further 3 feet—at the extent of 150 feet further it will require filling 4 feet 3 Inches & at the intersection of Chapel Street 4 feet 3 Inches.

[187] Regulation of Leonard Street from the regulation of Broad Way to the regulation of Chapel Street.

"Descent from Broad Way (after being dug 15 feet 6 Inches) to Chapel Street 3 45/100 Inches on 10 feet. in consequence it will require digging at the extent of 176 feet from Broad Way 15 feet 4 Inches—at the extent of 200 feet further 26 feet 8 Inches—at the intersection of Church Street 28 feet 8 Inches at the extent of 50 feet further 27 feet 11 Inches—at the extent of 50 feet further 25 feet 3 Inches—at the extent of 50 feet further 19 feet 5 Inches—at the extent of 50 feet further 12 feet—at the extent of 50 feet further 6 feet 1 Inch—at the extent of 100 feet further it will require to be filled in 11 Inches and at the intersection of Chapel Street 4 feet 6 Inches

Regulation of Anthony Street from Broad Way to Ann Street—Ann Street from Anthony to Catharine Street & so down Catharine Street to fresh Water Pond.

"Descent from the Regulation of Broad Way along Anthony Street to Ann Street along said Ann Street from Anthony to Catharine Street & along said Catharine Street to fresh Water Pond with 2 3/10 Inches on 10 feet. In consequence Anthony Street will require filling 7 feet 9 Inches at the eastern Range of Broad Way conformable to the Regulation of Broad Way [188] at the extent of 100 feet further, to be filled 13 feet 8 Inches; at the extent of 100 feet further 15 feet 9 Inches, at the extent of 100 feet further 16 feet one Inch and

at the intersection of Ann Street 16 feet 9 Inches; from thence along Ann Street, where the intersection of said Ann and Magazine Street requires filling 2 feet 5 inches, thence towards Catharine Street where it requires filling 8 feet 10 Inches at the extent of 120 feet distance from Magazine Street, and at the intersection of Catharine Street it requires digging 10 Inches; Thence from the Western range of Ann Street, down Catharine Street, to fresh Water Pond, where it will require filling 6 feet 9 Inches at the extent of 140 feet, from the Western range of Ann Street, and at the extent of 150 feet further at fresh Water Pond 4 feet 6 Inches.

Regulation of Magazine Street from Broad Way to Ann Street.

Descent from Broad Way (after being dug 4 feet 9 Inches) to Ann Street, with 4 $^{24}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet, in consequence of this, it will require filling, at the extent of 116 feet distance of Broad Way, one foot 6 Inches, at the extent of 100 feet further 2 feet one Inch, at the extent of 100 feet further 11 Inches, and at the intersection of Ann Street 2 feet 5 Inches.

Regulation of Catharine Street from Broadway, to Ann Street.

Descent from Broad Way (after being dug 6 feet 1 Inch) to Ann Street, with 5 $^{77}/_{100}$ Inches on 10 feet—in consequence of this it requires digging at the extent of 116 feet distance from Broad Way 5 feet 3 Inches, at the extent of 100 feet further 5 feet 5 Inches, at the extent of 100 feet further 4 feet 7 Inches and at the intersection of Ann Street 10 Inches.

[189] The Street Committee further report the following Regulations of Chapel from Barley to the North side of Leonard Street, of Barley and Duane Streets from Chapel to the extent of the Grants in the North River, from Barley to Provoost Streets and of Greenwich Street from Reed to Watts Street.

Regulation of Chapel Street, from Barley Street to the North side of Leonard Street—Descent from the Regulation of Barlay Street along Chapel Street with 1 $^{9}/_{10}$ Inch on 10 feet to the North side of Leonard Street—in consequence of this it will require to be raised at the extent 105 feet, from the South Kennel in Barley Street 4 feet 9 Inches, thence at the extent of 145 feet further (being the intersection of Thomas Street) 8 feet 4 Inches, thence at the extent of 240 feet further (being the intersection of Catharine Street) 4 feet 6 Inches, thence at the extent of 260 feet further being the North side of Leonard Street where it will be raised 4 feet 6 Inches above the surface of the Meadow.

Regulation of Barlay and Duane Streets from Chapel Street to the Extent of the Grants into the North River.

Ascent from the Regulation of Barley Street in a distance of 200 feet, (being the intersection of Hudson Street) with 1½ Inch on 10 feet, thence ascending along Duane Street in a distance of 177 feet 6 Inches, and descending in a distance of 277 feet 6 Inches with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Greenwich Street, thence descending in a distance of 473 feet (being the extent of the Grants) with 2½ Inches on 10 feet, agreeable [190] to this regulation, the Wall Plate at the extent of the Grants, will be 4 feet above high Water —In consequence of this Regulation, the Intersection of Hudson Street will require to be raised 12 feet 5 Inches, the intersection of Greenwich Street, being 455 feet distance from the intersection of Hudson Street, will remain in its present Situation, and the intersection of Washington Street will require to be dug one foot one Inch

Regulation of Hudson Street from Barley to Provoost Streets.

Ascent from Barley Street in a distance of 123 feet and descend in a distance of 143 feet 6 Inches with 2 Inches on 10 feet, to the intersection of Thomas Street, thence ascending in a distance of 71 feet, and descending 191 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Catharine Street; thence ascending in a distance of 192 feet and descending the same distance with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Provoost Street—In consequence of this, the intersection of Barley Street will require to be raised 12 feet 5 Inches, the Intersection of Thomas Street 12 feet; the intersection of Jay Street 10 feet 8 Inches —the intersection of Catharine Street 6 feet 8 Inches, the Intersection of Harrison Street 4 feet 9 Inches, the Intersection of Leonard Street will require to be dug 7 feet 8 Inches, and the intersection of Provoost Street 6 feet 9 Inches.

Regulation of Greenwich Street, from the Pavement at Reade Street to Watt's Street—Ascent from the Pavement at Read Street to the intersection of Duane Street (being 223 feet distance) with 1½ Inch on 10 feet, thence ascending 120 feet, and descending 120 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Jay Street, thence ascending [191] 120 feet and descending 120 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Harrison Street, thence ascending 120 feet, and descending 120 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Provoost Street, thence ascending 65 feet and descending 175 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Moore Street, thence ascending 120 feet and descending 120 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet

to Beach Street, thence ascending 132 feet 6 Inches, and descending 132 feet 6 Inches with 2 Inches on 10 feet, to the intersection of Hubert Street, thence ascending 120 feet and descending 120 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Vestry Street, thence ascending 120 feet and descending 120 feet with 2 Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Laight Street, thence ascending 120 feet and descending 120 feet with two Inches on 10 feet to the intersection of Desbrosses Street, thence ascending 120 feet and descending 120 feet to the intersection of Watts' Street—in Consequence of this regulation the intersection of Duane Street will remain in its present Situation; the intersection of Jay Street will require to be dug 9 Inches, the intersection of Harison Street 7 Inches, and the intersection of Provoost Street 6 Inches; the intersection of Moore Street will require to be raised one foot 10 Inches, the intersection of Beach Street requires raising 6 feet 3 Inches, the intersection of Hubert Street 4 feet one Inch, the intersection of Vestry Street 5 feet 7 inches, the intersection of Laight Street 9 feet 4 Inches, the intersection of Desbrosses Street 10 feet 11 Inches, and the intersection of Watts Street will require raising 5 feet [192] 10 Inches—Agreeable to this Regulation, the Streets on the West side of Greenwich Street, after the Wall Plate of the Dock at the extent of the Grants is raised 4 feet above common high Water, will have a descent of 2½ Inches on 10 feet from Duane Street to Provoost Street inclusive and from Moore S[t] to Watts Street —the Water will run with a descent of 2 Inches on 10 feet to the extent of the Grants.

Regulation of Fletcher Street from the Southern Kennel in Front Street, to the Dock at the East River.

Ascent from the Southern Kennel in front Street in a distance of 68 feet, and descent in a distance of 148 feet, with 1½ Inch on 10 feet—In consequence of this, it will require to be raised at the extent of the 68 feet from the Southern Kennel in front Street, (being the highest Ground) one foot 9 Inches.

A temporary Regulation of part of Winne Street, from Bayard Street to S[t] Nicholas Street.

Ascent in a distance of 335 feet with 2½ Inches on 10 feet—In consequence of this it will require to be dug at the extent of 10 feet from the Kennel in Bayard Street 7 feet 7 Inches, thence at the exent of 125 feet further 9 feet 2 Inches, thence at the exent of 125 feet further 1 foot 6 Inches and at the extent of 75 feet further it will remain in its present Situation

[193] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

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issd	Garret Harsen on Acct towards public Work.....	600:—:—
issd	Daniel Raveau & John Smith on Acct towards filling in at Pecks Slip.....	40:—:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for lights Lamps.....	75:14:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch.....	139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	139: 2: 6
issd	Angevine & Adams for watchs at the Gaol.....	32: 4:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for Candles.....	2:17: 6
issd	John Ackerman for superintends cleans Streets 4th Wd	5:—:—
issd	Fred: Jay, Commissions for sells Stands in Fly Market at Auction	9:—:—
issd	Thos Farmer for a Bulkhead at Pecks Slip.....	60:—:—
issd	Robt Valentine for a Bulkhead & Sewer at Roosevelt Street Slip	

[194] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of July 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Jacob De La Montagne Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Cornes C Roosevelt Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm	Assists

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from His Excellency the Governor to him, stating that the Commissioners appointed to procure Arms Ammunition & other military Stores had fixed on a Piece of the Common Lands at the junction of the Post & Blooming Dale Roads part of which hath been for some time used as a public burying Ground and that His Excellency had signified to the Commissioners his approbation of their erecting the necessary Buildings at that Place for military Stores provided this Board should consent to grant to the State as much of the said Ground as might be requisite.

Whereupon the Board determined that a Grant be made to the People of the State of New York of the said Piece [195] of Ground for the purpose aforesd reserving such part as hath been used for the interment of the Dead & a convenient Piece for a Passage thereto from the Post Road And that the Clk prepare such Grant & report the same to the Board.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be directed to proceed by Ejectment

or otherwise against Daniel Dunbar for Intrusion on the public property beyond the limits of the Grant of his Water Lot at Burlings Slip; And that a Warrant of Atty from this Board to Mr Recorder be prepared accordingly

Ordered that Aldn Lenox take order for the digging out the Fly Market Slip And that Mr Harsen direct the making of a Pale fence at the City Hall along the Windows of the Supreme Court Clerks Office & sinks to prevent the spreading of Urine over the flat Pavement at the City Hall.

A Petition of John Dietz leather Dresser & manufacturer of Glue for Relief against the Expences of removing the Implements of his Business out of the City; was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Messrs Post & Minthorn

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Fletcher Street was read & ratified by the Board & Hugh Montgomerie was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & George Gosman to pave the sd Street.

[196] The like for digging out Winne Street and John Tabellie was appointed to collect the Monies & Charles Masten & Frederick Truelight to dig out the sd Street

The like for digging out Bedlow Street & Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies & Henry Shearman Peter Sanders & William Butler to dig out the sd Street

The Committee on the Subject of the Collector of the Fees or Rates of public Wharfage & Slippage reported that the same ought to be farmed out; which was agreed to by the Board

Ordered that the Clerk advertize that Proposals written & sealed will be received at the City Clerks Office until the 8th day of Augt next for farming the collection of all the Monies arising & which may be receivable by virtue of the Law "to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs & in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of Wharfage" for one Year to commence the day of next—the highest Bidder to be considered the Purchasor & entitled to the Priviledge on his giving approved Security for the Payment of the purchase Money in quarterly payments.

Ordered that John Farrington be appointed a fireman to Engine No 3 vice Simon Kiersted resigned.

[197] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Arthur Smith for paving Cherry Street at Cathn Slip Market	£40: 8: 4
issd	Anthony Post for Expences of Road Committee.....	8: 5:—

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follow[g] viz[t]

8500	of 1[d]	£35: 8: 4
8400	of 2[d]	70: —: —
9400	of 3[d]	117: 10: —
1 imperfect Sheet		—: 6: —
		£223: 4: 4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 12[th] July 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
James Kent Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Theoph[s] Beekman
Jacob De laMontagnie
Jotham Post
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

Anthony Post
Anthony Brown
Mangle Minthorne
Thomas Storm
Nicholas Carmer
Garret Harsen
Philip J Arcularius
} Assist[ts]

[198] Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a further loan with the Bank of New York of 4000 Dollars 'till Monies can be raised by the ensuing Tax.

The Grant ordered at the last Meeting to the People of the State of New York of the Peace of the Common Lands at the junction of the Post & Bloomingdale Roads for Magazines of military Stores, was read & agreed to by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto & M[r] Mayor to subscribe the same on behalf of the Board

On the application of Sam[l] Abbot

Ordered that he be permitted to insert a private Drain from the Cellar of his House in Broad Street into the public Drain to take the Water from his Cellar

A Presentment of the Grand Jurors of the last Court of General Sessions of the Peace against certain defects as to the comfortable accommodation of the Debtors confined in Goal & recommending certain Improvements. was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs to the Goal to take order for making such of the said Improvements as they may conceive necessary & proper to be done at the public Expence.

A Letter from M[r] Da Costa & some other Debtors in Goal for permission to make certain Improvements to their Room was read &

referred to the same Committee to examine into & to report to the Bd

[199] A Petition of David Marshall to be appointed to superintend the new public burying Ground; was read & referred to the Committee on that subject.

A Petition of Cole McGregor & several others remonstrating against the exchanging the place lately purchased for a public burying Ground for the Land belonging to Mr Oothout & others was read & referred to the same Comtee

A Petition for the Regulation & paving of Mulberry Street was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Be it ordained that no leave or permission to any Person or Persons to incumber or obstruct any Street Wharf or Pier in pursuance of the Ordinance entitled "A Law for paving & keeping in Repair & to prevent Obstructions in the Streets in the City of New York" shall be valid unless the same be in writing & signed & dated by the Mayor or Recorder or the Alderman granting the same & limited & confined to Persons only that are or shall be building or repairing Houses or other Buildings & particularly specifying to what extent such leave or permission shall go.

An Ordinance was passed for filling up Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River agreable to the Regulation thereof by the 1st Oct^{r} next under the penalty of £100 each Lot

[200] Ordered that David Cunningham be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 12 vice Thos R Smith resign'd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The Commissrs of the Health Office on Acct.....	£150:—:—
issd	Commissrs of Alms Hs &c on Acct.....	£600:—:—
issd	Jacob Harsen on Accts towds Roads.....	£200:—:—
issd	Committee on Repairs to Goal on Acct.....	£300:—:—
issd	John Millidoller for a lost fire Bucket.....	16/
issd	John Mitchell Clerk at an Election of Assessor 5th Wd..	16:—:—
issd	Exrs &c of Robert Berwick for superintendg cleans Streets	£5:—:—
issd	John Stagg for paving at several Wells in 1st & 4th Wds	£2: 5: 6
issd	John Borris for Expences at his House on celebration 4th July	£62:—:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for ringing the public Bells on the same Day	£6:12:—
issd	John Ten Eyck for Gun Powder same Day.....	£26:—:—
issd	Van Alen & Hartwick for Repairs to Pumps 7th Wd....	£5:14: 6
issd	Evert Bancker Junr for Surveyg.....	£6:—:—

issd	Casimir Th: Gœrick for the like	£27: 8:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£139: 2: 6

[201] City of New York } ss. At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen on Thursday July 13th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Jacob Delamontagnie
Robert Lenox
Jotham Post
Nichs Bayard

The Board proceeded to examine the Tax Lists of the several Wards and *and* settled the Quota's of the respective Wards as follow's vizt

	Dollars
1st Wd amount of Real & Personl Estate	1500,000
2d do	3600,000
3d do	3750,000
4th do	1700,000
5th do	1600,000
6th do	1250,000
7th do South of the Line } Bowery	1100,000
do do North of do } Bowery	1100,000
do Harlem	400,000
Total	16000,000

The Board then determined the amt of the Monies required to be raised by Tax this Year as follows.

	Dollars
On City & County	81,000
on do for Schools	2,360
	83,360
On the City South of the Line	31,500
Total	114,860

[202] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th July 1797.

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman		**Anthony Post**	
Theophs Beekman		**Garret Harsen**	
Jotham Post	**Esqrs Aldn**	Mangel Minthorne	**Assists**
Jacob De laMontagnie		Nichs Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Phil: Arcularius	
		Antho Brown	
		Thos Storm	

A Representation of the Health Commissrs as to the State of the Street at Burlings Slip was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the 3d & the Aldn of the 2d Wards to take effectual Measures for filling it up without delay

A Petition of Robert Bowne & Thomas Eddy for additional Grants in front of their Water Lots (between Pine & De Peyster Streets) out to the Permanent Street on the River of 70 feet wide, was read & granted & Grants ordered to be prepared

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 3d & the Aldn of the 2d Wd be a Committee to enquire into the Subject & to report whether the Fly Market Slip cannot be improved by widening it as it extends into the River.

[203] Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 6th & the Assistt of the 4th Wds be a Committee to get the Drain from the Alms Hs Goal & Bridewell to Hudson's River done by Contract.

Ordered that Valentine Arnold be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood at James Slip, Catharine Slip & the Slips to the East Ward in Compy with Peter King & Henry Beekman

Ordered that William Lord be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 2 vice James Thomas gone to Sea

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	David Marshall for superintends Potters field burying Ground	£18:18:—
issd	Garret De Bois for a lost fire Bucket.....	£0:16:—

[204] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th July 1797

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Robert Lenox Cornⁿ C Roosevelt	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Mr Arcularius	Assistts

A Petition of John Murray Junr praying that by Reason of the heavy Expences in making the outer Street of 70 feet Wide in the River in front of his Water Lots on the East side of the Wall Street Slip & his great Loss by the late fire, that the Board would grant him the Right of Wharfage on the said [side] of the Slip for a reasonable limited Time or some aid in his Expences; was read & rejected

A Petition of Hezekiah Heath for permission to insert a private Drain from his Cellar into the Common Sewer of Ferry Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the 5th & the Assistt of the 3d Wd

Ordered that John Franklin be permitted to make Vaults under the Street in front of his new Houses in Cherry & Water Streets And Wm Murray to make an Airy to his House in Cherry Street under Direction of Aldn & Assist of the Wd

[205] An Estimate and Assessmt for paving both sides of James Slip was ratified by the Board And David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies & Thomas Whytlaw to pave the sd Streets

The like for paving Harman Street and Benjm North was appointed to collect the Monies & Thomas Whytlaw & George Walton to pave the sd Street

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd & delivd to Richd Furman	Waters Furman for the Corporations assessmt for digging out Chatham Square.....	£200:—:—
issd	Garret Harsen on Acct.....	500:—:—
issd	The Committee on Repairs to Goal & Bridewell.....	200:—:—
issd	Bernard Oblenis Clerk of the Police Office for ballce...	9:18:10
issd	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 1st Wd.....	31: 5:10
issd	Cornⁿ J Bogert for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	1:12:—
issd	Richd Williamson for 3 do.....	2: 8:—
issd	Isaac Mead for Repairs to Bridewell.....	89: 4: 4
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch.....	139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	139: 2: 6

[206] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 31st day of July 1797

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer
Jacob De laMontagnie		Philip J Arcularius
Jotham Post		Anthony Post
Nichs Bayard		Thomas Storm

Ordered that David Walker be permitted to take up his old rain Water Cistern & to put a new one in the Street adjoining his House on condition that he put the Street in good order

And that Ebenr Brush be permitted to make an Area to his House under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Wd

The Street Committee reported in favor of the Petition for regulating Mulberry Street And thereupon "An Ordinance for digging out & paving the said Street from Cross St to Bayard Street, was passed by the Bd And it was ordered that the whole of the Street commencing at Chatham St & ending at Bayard Street be called & known by the name Mulberry Street

[207] The Street Committee reported the follwg Regulation of Magazine Street from Chatham Street to Ann Street; which was agreed to by the Board vizt

"Descent from Chatham Street to Brooks Street with 1¼ Inch on 10 feet and ascent from Brooks Street to Ann Street with 3½ Inches on 10 feet In consequence it will be required to be raised at the extent of 150 feet from Chatham Street 7 Inches—thence at the extent of 120 feet further (being the Intersection of Augustus Street) 2 feet 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 95 feet further 4 feet 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 175 feet further 5 feet—thence at the extent of 100 feet further 7 feet 4 Inches—thence at the extent of 100 feet further (being at the Intersection of Brooks Street) to be raised 8 Inches—thence at the extent of 174 feet further 10 feet 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 110 feet further (being the Intersection of Ann Street) 2 feet 5 Inches."

The Street Committee on the Petition of Gerard Walton & others read 17th April last reported that an Ordinance ought to be passed for compelling the proprietor & Occupant to fill up under the Store complained of within one Month & also to remove such Part of the said Stores as obstruct the Street on or before the 14th May next which was agreed to by the Board

[208] The Committee on the Petition of Hezekiah Heath report that he ought to be permitted to insert a private Drain, to draw the Water from his Cellar, into the Common Sewer of Ferry Street; which was agreed to by the Board

The Committee for the purpose appointed reported & laid before the Board several Plans of a Common Sewer from the Alms House through Chambers Street into Hudsons River & one of them N° was adopted by the Board & the same Committee were directed to take order for the making of the said Common Sewer by contract

On reading a Petition for the purpose the following Ordinance was passed prohibiting Boats or Vessels laden with Hay from coming into or laying at the Corporation Wharf or Bason between Partition & Vesey Streets on Hudson River.

Be it ordained that no Hay shall be brought into or landed at the Corporation Bason or Wharfs between Partition and Vesey Streets on Hudson River after the fifteenth day of Aug^{t} next And if any Hay shall be brought into or landed at the said Bason or Wharfs after the said Day the Owner Master or Possessor of the Vessel in which such Hay shall be brought shall forfeit & pay as a [209] fine the Sum of forty Shillings for each Offence.

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t} towards the Fish Market.....	£600:—:—
iss^{d}	Riley & Peterson for filling in the Corporation Lot at Roosevelt S^{t}	£78:—:—
iss^{d}	John J Roome & C^{o} for copying & carrying out pound-age Tax Books.....	£31:12:—
iss^{d}	Will^{m} J Elsworth for light^{g} Lamps.....	£76: 5: 8

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Aug^{t} 7th 1797

Present/ James Kent Esq^{r} Recorder

Nicholas Bayard Theoph^{s} Beekman Gabriel Furman Corn^{s} C Roosevelt Jotham Post Jacob De la Montagne	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Nich^{s} Carmer Mangel Minthorn Anthony Brown Garret Harsen Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm Anthony Post

Assist^{s}

M^{r} Recorder & the other Members having visited & examined the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell [210] The Committee

of Acc[ts] reported that they had duly examined the Acc[ts] of Receipts & Expenditures of the Commiss[rs] for the last Quarter & found them just & Right

those of the Alm H[s] amount[g] to..... £3188: 8: 2½
of the Bridewell to..... 452: 19: 9

An Estimate of the Commiss[rs] for the ensuing Quarter was read & approved viz[t]

for the Alms House..... £2700: —: —
for the Bridewell..... 300: —: —

iss[d] Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] for paym[t] accord[gly]

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Moore Street was read & ratified by the B[d] & George Gosman was appointed to collect the Monies & to pave the said Street

A proposal of John Wareham & others to open a public Street through their Lots from Henry to Bedlow Street was read & referred to the Street Committee

A Petition from a number of Owners & Masters of Vessels frequenting the public Slips & Wharfs complain[g] of the Rates of Wharfage & Slippage was read & rejected

A Petition of Jacob Wilkins for permission to sink a Block beyond the outer range or extent of West Street on Hudson River by Reason that the Wharf by him lately sunk is overset into the River; was read And the Board determined that it would be improper to permit the sinking of any Wharf beyond the outer Range or extent of the said Street.

[211] Several Improvements being necessary in the Yard of & about the Alms House for the œconomical management of the Business of the House, the Com[tee] were directed to take order for the making of such as shall appear to them indispensably necessary.

Ordered that the Committee on the Subject direct such of the Materials of the old Alms House as may [be] useful to be taken [for] the purpose of putting the Ground lately purchased for a burying Ground in order & the erection of a small Building for the Superintendant

An Ordinance for paving Chatham Street from the present Pavement thereof at James Street to Catharine Street & thence up the Bowery Lane to S[t] Nicholas Street; was passed by the B[d]

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Jacob Morton, James Morris & Wm Johnson Esqrs Justices for trying Causes under the £10 Law for one Qrs allowance	£184:16:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for Guard at Goal	£5:10:—
issd	Robt Valentine for Carpenters Work at Cathn & Beekman Slips	£4: 3: 3

[212] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Augt 1797

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman Jacob De laMontagnie Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Jotham Post	Esqrs Alden	Anthony Post Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm Philip J Arcularius Garret Harsen	Assistts

On an Application of Isaac Terboss. Ordered that he be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Liberty Street.

And on the Application of David Walker Ordered that he be permitted to make an *an* Area & to lead a private Drain from his Cellar into the public Drain at White Hall

A Petition of Bernardus Swartwout for an additional Grant of the Soil under the Water of Hudsons River out to West Street was read & granted.

Ordinances for paving the follows Streets were read & passed by the Bd viz^{t}

"That part of Chatham Street or Square (which lies on the East side of the Range of Chatham Street) from the Pavement at James Street to Catharine Street"

"For filling in Magazine Street from Chatham Street to Ann Street"

[213] "For paving of the Street in front of the Exchange Slip from the present pavement in Front Street to the River & the Piers on each side of the said Slip out to the River Also South Street from Whitehall Slip to the Exchange Slip And also the Street on the East side of the White Hall Slip"

"And for paving Washington Street from the New Albany Bason to the Pavement at Wilkins's Lot"

Ordered that the follow[g] Persons be appointed firemen viz[t]
to Engine N[o] 11 Joseph Powell & John Halsted vice Peter Van Shiver & John Wilkins resigned.

Engine N[o] 20 Edmund Livingston vice John W Elsworth resigned

Ordered that the Street Committee direct a Survey to be made of front Street from Burling to Beekman Slip & from Beekman to Pecks Slip

Ordered that Thomas Bushfield be appointed a Measurer of Grain

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treas[r] to pay

issd	Nich[s] Carmer on acc[t] towards new Fish Market.....	£600:—:—
issd	Garret Harsen on Acc[t].....	£300:—:—
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to a Well & Pump Chatham Street	£8: 9:10
issd	Daniel Kingsland for cleaning out & Repairs to a Well & Pump near Catharine Slip.....	£14: 7: 7
issd	Robert Valentine for a Bulkhead Peck Slip.....	£186:—:—
issd	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads.....	£144: 3: 6
issd	Gabriel Furman for an Iron Stove.....	£4:10:—

[214] The Clerk delivered to the Board Proposals sealed from several Persons for the purchase of the Fees arising from the public Wharfs & Slips in this City for one Year to commence the 1[st] day of September next And Jonathan Pearssee & Thomas Ash appeared to be the highest Bidders viz[t] twelve thousand seven hundred Dollars. which was acceded to by the Board

Ordered that a Warrant appointing them Collectors of the said Fees on behalf of this Board be made out accordingly.

[215] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Aug[t] 21[st] 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
James Kent Esq[r] Recorder

Jacob De laMontagnie	Mangle Minthorn
Cornelius C Roosevelt	Nicholas Carmer
Theoph[s] Beekman	Anthony Brown
Jotham Post	Anthony Post
Robert Lenox	Philip J Arcularius
Gabriel Furman	Thomas Storm

A Representation from the Health Commissioners was read stating that certain Lots, described in a List enclosed, late part of the Estate of John Ireland, are so low as that the Water remains thereon stagnant & that they are receptacles for Dead Animals, to the great danger of the health of the Inhabitants in that Quarter; And further that the

Lots of John Delafield at the Exchange Slip remain in a sunken unwholesome State.

Whereupon Ordinances were passed by the Board requiring the Proprietors and Occupants of the said first above mentioned Lots to raise them to such Heighth as that the Water do not remain thereon, stagnant And also requiring John Delafield to cause his said Lots to be properly filled up the whole to be executed & performed by the first day of October next under the Penalty of 100 Dollars for each Lot

[216] Isaac Gouverneur having at his own Expence made a Common Sewer in Front Street & Gouverneurs Alley he is authorized to demand Compensation for his Expence from any Person who shall insert a private Drain in the said Common Sewer

Ordered the like with respect to a Common Sewer he has Permission to make from his new House in Hanover Square into the Old Slip.

Christopher Hughes has permission to take up part of Roosevelt Street to insert a private Drain in the Common Sewer on his paying a reasonable Proportion towards the Expence of making the said Common Sewer & putting the Street in good Order

Archibald Dunlap has permission to make an Area to his House in Henry Street.

On reading a Petition for the purpose An Ordinance was passed " for digging out & paving Division Street from the present Pavement thereof at East George Street to Rutgers Street."

On reading a Petition for the Purpose Ordered that the Ordinance for filling in Magazine Street be suspended for this Season on Condition that the Neighborhood fill up the Street so as to make it dry & passable.

Ordered that John M^{c}Lean be & he is hereby appointed Keeper of the public Magazine for Gun Powder at Inchlambergh provided that all the Gun Powder stored there be at his Risque.

[217] An Estimate & Assessm^{t} for paving the Street on each side of Cortlandt Slip was read & ratified by the B^{d} & Thomas Lafoy was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & W^{m} M^{c}Cabe to pave the s^{d} Streets

The like for the digging out & paving of Mulberry S^{t} & John Tablee was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart Ab^{m} Stagg & Tho^{s} F Stagg to execute the Work

A Petition from the Neighborhood at the two Mile Stone for a fire Engine was read & granted.

The follow[g] Persons were appointed fire Men to Engine N° 1. viz[t]

Joshua Barker	W[m] Ferguson
Matthias Nack	Peter Mabee
Cornelius Mabee	David Halstead
Abraham Day	John Stevenson
James Riker	John R Johnson

The Committee on the Subject of the Drain or Sewer from the Alms House to Hudsons River reported that they had received Proposals for building the same from sundry Persons and that Thomas Whytlaw was the lowest viz[t] Sixteen Shillings & six Pence per foot running Measure

Ordered that the same Committee prepare the Articles of Agreem[t] & take a Bond with good Security for the performance.

The Committee on small change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the follow[g] viz[t]

5700	of 3[d]	£71: 5:—
7400	of 2[d]	61:13: 4
6500	of 1[d]	27: 1: 8
1000	d°	4: 3: 4
		£164: 3: 4

[218] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

issued	W[m] Sloo & C° for pursuing the Persons who stole the Gun Powder out of the public Magazine & recover[g] the Powder	£12:—:—
iss[d]	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps 4[th] W[d]	£33: 1:—
iss[d]	W[m] B Ogden for the like	£10:19: 9
iss[d]	Arch[d] Dunlap for the like 7[th] W[d]	£6: 9: 6
iss[d]	John Brower for cover[g] the Court Room Table	£5: 9: 9
iss[d]	Bernard Oblenis Clerk of the Police Office for ball[ce]	£11:10:10
iss[d]	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q[r] Salary	£20: 0:—
	The same for Disbursem[ts]	1:14: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watchm[n]	£139: 2: 6
iss[d]	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6

[219] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of Augt 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
Theophs Beekman
Jotham Post
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Brown
Anthony Post
Philip Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn
} Assists

The Health Commissrs delivered in an Acct of their Expenditures & of the Money come into their Hands for Fines under the Law for preventing Nuisances; which was read & filed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay the said Commissioners 500 Dollars on Acct

Articles of Agreement between this Board & Thomas Whytlaw for making the Drain or Sewer from the Alms House into Hudsons River were read & approved & the Seal of this Board was ordered to be affixed thereto to be delivered on his executing the counterpart & a Bond for the faithful performance of the Work in such Sum & with such Surety as the Comittee shall approve.

Ordered that the Street Committee direct the Ground belonging to the Corporation in the vicinity of the old Powder Magazine to be surveyed & staked out & [220] when it is done that Mr Harsen cause the same to be filled up to a proper Heighth

A Petition against the Auctioneers at the Fly Market was read & referred to the Aldn in the Police Office.

A Petition from the Harmonical Society for the use of a Room in the City Hall & it was granted that they may use the lower back Room provided they can incommodate with the Court for the Trial of Causes of Ten Pounds & under

Ordered that the new Bason near Rhinelanders Brewery on Hudson River & George Slip on the East River be assigned for the landing of Hay & that George may erect a Scale there at such place as the Aldn & Assist of the Wd shall direct and that Aldn Beekman may remove his Scale at James Slip to such place as may be convenient

The Committee on the Petition of John Deitz manufacturer of Glue for compensation in the removal of the Utensils of his Business out of the settled parts of the City, reported that they had agreed to allow him £84: 12/ with which Sum he was satisfied

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for payment thereof accordingly*

* Marginal note reads *issd & delvd to Mr Dietz Jany 31st 1798.*—Ed.

Another Petition ag^{t} using the Land lately purchased for a public burying Ground & offering another Piece of Ground in lieu thereof was read & rejected.

[221] A Warrant appointing Jonathan Pearssee & Thomas Ash Dock Masters with Power to collect & receive the Wharfage & Slippage for one Year from the 31st Instant was read & approved by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed & delivered to them on their executing a Bond to this Board in 15000 Dollars with such Sureties as M^{r} Mayor shall approve

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the Bowery Lane from Catharine Street to S^{t} Nicholas Street was read & ratified by the Board & Richard Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & George Walton to pave the said Street

John Annely was appointed a Fireman to Engine N^{o} 11 vice John Hillyer resigned

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the Watchmen who went in quest of Capt Vincent suspected of having Goods on Board his Vessel stolen at Albany	£21:16:—
issued	William Gilbert for the Corporations part in paving Old Slip Street	£135: 4:—
iss^{d}	Niel McKennon for 2 lost fire Buck^{ts}	£1:12:—
iss^{d}	W^{m} J Elsworth for light^{g} Lamps	£76: 5: 8
iss^{d}	Aront Van Hook for subsist^{g} criminal Prisoners	£70:16:—
iss^{d}	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests	£55: 4:—

[222] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of September 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Theoph^{s} Beekman
Jotham Post
Robert Lenox
Nich^{s} Bayard
} Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}
Mangle Minthorn
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Post
Nicholas Carmer

A Petition of Elizth Arnold to continue in the use & occupation of her deceased Husband's Standing in the Fly Market; was read & it was determined that her Request could not be granted.

On a Representation that several of the Butchers had neglected personally to attend at their Stalls or Standings in the Market and had put in their Places other Persons without the consent or permission of this Board.

Ordered that if any Butcher shall neglect personally to attend his Business at his Standing in the Market for the term of fourteen Market Days his standing shall be considered as vacated & sold to some other licenced Butcher: Excepting in cases of sickness or other accidental Cause.

Ordered that the Deputy Clerk of the Market notify John Finck, Henry Spingler, John Doughty, John Lovell, Alex^{r} Peacock & James Sullivan Butchers to appear at this [223] Board on Monday Afternoon next to shew Cause (if any they have) why their respective Standings in the Fly Market (which they have for a considerable length of time neglected personally to attend) should not be disposed of to other Persons.

The Committee on the subject of a Reform of the Ferry to Brooklyn presented to the Board two Plans the one for farming or letting out the Ferry in like manner as the public Slips & Wharfs and the other to licence a certain number of Persons each to have one Boat & always to go in his own Boat And on a consideration of the said Plans they were recommitted to M^{r} Mayor, & Ald^{n} Furman Lenox Beekman and De la Montagnie for revisal.

A Representation from the Dock Masters suggesting that the collection of the Rates or Fees of Wharfage & Slippage would be very much facilitated if all Vessels or Boats not exceeding five Tons burthen had the Name of the Owner & number of the Vessel (if he has more than one) painted on the Stern

Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance for the purpose accordingly

On reading a Petition for the opening of Blooming Dale Road to its proper Wedth of four Rods Ordered that Ald^{n} Furman Beekman & De la Montagne be a Committee to direct the Proprietors of the Land where the Road is not of it's proper Wedth to remove their [224] Fences & then to direct the Road Master to work & put the Road in good Order

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the Northwest side of Chatham Square was read & ratified by the Board And Rich^{d} Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & James Riley & Peter Peterson to pave the said Street on their entering into Bond with good Sureties for the faithful performance of the Work by the 25th Oct^{r} next

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots on Cherry Street between Rutgers Street & George Street make the necessary Bulkhead on the

southeast range of the said Cherry Street & to fill up the said Street to it's proper heighth by the 25th Instant so that the same may be paved.

An Ordinance was passed requiring the Proprietors of Lots fronting on South Street between the Exchange Slip & Coenties Slip to be filled up to its proper Heighth by the 1st Novr next under the penalty of 150 Dollars each Lot

Ordered that John Stagg be appointed to inspect the Workmanship of the Drain or Sewer making from the Alms House and also the paving of the West side of Chatham Square & the Bowery Lane

Ordered that the Treasr deliver up & return to the Drawer the Notes of David Man. Danl Insley—Nichs Smart—John Barr & John Carty given for Stands by them purchased in the Fly Market & which have been given up & resold

[225] The Committee on the Petition of Ebenezer Brush for the additional Grant into Hudson River opposite to his Lots out to the permanent Line reported that the Prayer ought to be granted.

Ordered that a Grant be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

		Dollars
issd	Aldn Montagnie on Acct towards the new Alms House Drain	1000
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 3d Wd	£29:14:10
issd	George Forman for printing Bye Laws	£12:10:—
issd	Wm Pollard for copying & making into Ballots new List of Jurors	£8:—:—
issd	Gilbert Angevine & Andrew Harmah for watchs at Goal	£16: 2:—
issd	Aldn D L Montagnie for John McGaragh for paving round a Well 6th Wd	0:17: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6

[226] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of Septr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nichs Bayard Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Jotham Post Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Post Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Garret Harsen Thomas Storm	Assistts

The Board proceeded to the appointed of Inspectors at the ensuing Election of Charter Officers & a place in each Ward for the holding

of the Election & the following Persons & Places were appointed accordingly—viz[t]

1st Wd	James A Stewart.....	Trinity Church
2d	Daniel McCormick	City Hall
3d	Daniel Dunscomb Junr.....	North Church
4th	Peter Elting	St Pauls Church
5th	Francis Child	friends Meetg Hs
6th	Isaac Van Vleck.....	Charles Brenneysen House Corner of Broad Way & Murray St
7th	William W Gilbert.....	Bulls Head Tavern

Ordered that Isaac Gouverneur be permitted to make an Area & Vaults under the Street in front of his House in Hanover Square under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist: of the Ward.

[227] John Finck, John Doughty, John Lovell & Alexr Peacock Butchers attended the Board agreable to the Order of last Meeting & assigned Reasons satisfactory to the Board for their absence from their respective Stalls in the Fly Market

Henry Spingler also attended and acknowledged that he had abandoned his Stall And the Treasurer was ordered to sell it to some other licenced Butcher.

James Sullivan did not appear & the consideration of his Case was postponed.

The Committee on the Subject of Brooklyn Ferry reported "that the Ferry from the Fly Market Slip to Brooklyn should be sold for the Term of three Years from the fifteenth day of Novr next to such Person as should offer the greatest annual Rent & that Proposals written & sealed up should be received for that purpose at the Clerks Office until the first day of Octr next on the followg Terms & Conditions viz[t]

"A Bond with approved Sureties for the payment of the Rent quarterly & for the performance of the Contract Five good Boats of the Size & Form of the largest Boats now in use at the said Ferry and five other good Boats of the Size & form of the largest of the lesser Boats now in use at the said Ferry, to be kept in the constant use of the said Ferry.

[228] Each of the five large Boats to be worked & managed by three able bodied Men of sober & discreet Character and used to water Service & to have a Sail of safe Size & Form And each of the lesser Boats to be worked & managed by two Men of like Character & used to water Service & may have a Sail of like description. The Lessee

to be answerable for the Conduct of the Men employed in the Boats & if it shall appear to the Common Council that any or either of the Men be guilty of drunkeness, abuse or *or* other ill treatment to Passengers or want of Skill or ability to perform the Duty required such Person shall on the Order of the Common Council be immediately dismissed the Service.

The Lessee & all others employed in the Service are to observe & keep all such Rules & Regulations as are now or from time to time shall be by Law or Order of the Common Council made or established for or in respect to the said Ferry."

Ordered that the Clerk publish in the New[s] Papers that Proposals for *taken* [taking] the said Ferry will be received accordᵍˡʸ

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the Streets on each side of the Fly Market from Front Street to the River was read & ratified by the Board And John Moore & George Gosman were appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Streets

[229] A Petition for the filling & raising certain Lots on Delancey's Ground adjoining the Bowery Lane was read & referred to the Street Committee.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Water Street at Corlaers Hook from Romayne's to Youles Ground was read & ratified by the Board & Nathˡ Clark was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to execute the Work on his entering into Bond for the due performance thereof by the first January next.

And the Street Committee were directed to take order for the making of a Bulkhead to support the Earth at the place reserved for a public Bason

A Petition for Boats to come into & occupy Cortlandt Slip; which is appropriated to the sole use of the Paulus Hook ferry Boats; was read & rejected

Ordered that Abraham Valentine be appointed a fire Man to Engine Nº 13 vice John Patten resigned.

An Ordinance was passed for digging out & filling in the followᵍ Streets vizᵗ Broad Way from Murray Street to the Arched Bridge—Anthony Street from Broad Way to Ann Street—Ann Street from Anthony Street to Catharine Street—And Catharine Street from Ann Street to fresh Water Pond.

[230] The Street Committee reported the followᵍ Regulation of Front Street from Burling Slip to Pecks Slip; was agreed to by the Board vizᵗ

"From Burling Slip to Beekman Slip (after allowing for that part of Burling Slip Street at present unpaved a descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Kennel in Front Street) ascent along Front Street in a distance of 110 feet and descent in a distance of 90 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Pavement at Beekman Slip—In consequence it will require to be filled in at the extent of 104 feet from the Kennel at Burling Slip 7 Inches.

From Beekman Slip to the Crane Wharf Ascent from the Pavement on the side of the Timber in a distance of 175 feet and Descent in a Distance of 36 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Kennel at the Crane Wharf—In consequence it will require to be dug 5 Inches at the extent of 100 feet from the Kennel in Beekman Slip Street.

From Crane Wharf to Pecks Slip. Ascent from the Kennel at Crane Wharf in a Distance of 127 feet & Descent in a Distance of 227 feet with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Pecks Slip—In consequence it will require to be raised 1 foot 11 Inches at the extent of 174 feet from the eastern Kennel at Crane Wharf

[231] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Abraham Russel for repairs Pavemt in several public Places in the 1st Ward.....	£45: 0: 9
issd	John Van Alst for repairs Pumps 5th Wd.....	£20:16: 8
issd	John Walters for making Oil Cisterns & repairs the Oil Stove	£78: 3: 1
issd	Willson Rawson for Lamp Oil.....	1415 Dolls

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Septr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
Jotham Post
Nichs Bayard
Cornls C Roosevelt
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Post
Garret Harsen
Thomas Storm
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn
} Assistts

Philip Fulkerson Porter 16/6
Edmund Washburn Yeoman 16/6
Lewis Smith, Carpenter 36/6
} admitted free Men & sworn

The Clerk presented to the Board the Deeds to the purchasors of the Common Lands sold at public Auction, which were examined & it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor

subscribe the same to be delivered to the Purchasors on their executing the counterpart & complying with the Conditions of the Sale.

[232] A Petition for an Enclosure to the Common Sewer of Roosevelt Street to prevent the nautius effluvia in the Street was read & referred to the Aldⁿ & Assist of the Ward to take order.

Ordered that Isaac Peffer be appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood at Pecks Slip in the place of —— Brown decᵈ

It appearing to the Board that some difficulties would arise respecting the Boundary Lines of Lot Nº 160 of the Common Lands sold at auction to John Goodeve it was agreed & ordered that the Money by him paid on the purchase be returned to him & that no Deed be made for that Lot

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Catharine Street was read & ratified by the Board & Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & George Walton to pave the said Street

An Ordinance was passed "for filling in Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River & for repairing the Pavement of Greenwich Street at Warren Street"

An Ordinance was also passed "for digging out & filling in Greenwich Street from Reade Street to Lispenards Gate"

Ordered that the Members of the Committee of Accounts with Aldⁿ Furman & Lenox be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers on Thursday next to examine his Books & Accounts & to make report to the Board

Ordered that John Triglith occupy the Standing, in the Fly Market, surrendered up by Henry Spingler, on his paying therefor £70.

[233] James Sullivan Butcher attended & assigned satisfactory Reasons for absenting himself from his Standing in the Fly Market

Ordered that Messʳˢ Towt & Tylee Inspectors of Leather be requested to inspect the Leader of Engine Nº 7 & report their Opinion thereon to the Board.

On a Complaint that the following vacant Lots of Ground in the vicinity of the Bowery Lane are so low as that the Water remains thereon stagnant vizᵗ 12 Lots fronting on first Street & numbered from 140 to 151 inclusive And 4 Lots fronting the Bowery Lane Numbered 132 to 135 inclusive belonging to James Beekman. Four Lots fronting the Bowery Lane numbered 136 to 139 inclusive & two Lots numbered 351 & 352 all belonging to John Lawrence Esqʳ

And two Lots fronting Grand & second Streets numbered 369 & 370 belonging to Alexʳ Finck.

An Ordinance was passed requiring the Owners of the said Lots

respectively to cause their said respective Lots to be so filled up & raised, as that the Water falling or running thereon will run off freely into the Bowery Lane, by the 15th day of Novr next under the penalty of 50 Dollars for each Lot which shall not be so filled & raised.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct.....	£300:—:—
issd	[234] The Commissrs of the Alms House to purchase fire Wood for indigent Families which may become distressed next Winter.....	$500
issd	Theophilus Bregy for a lost fire Buckt.....	$2
issd	John S Delamater for superintendg cleang Streets 1st Ward	$20
issd	John Morrison for lamp Oil.....	£169:15: 4
issd	George Gosman for Lime in the Privy at City Hall.....	£5: 2:—
issd	Bernard Oblenis Clerk of the Police Office for ballce...	£5:12: 4
issd	Wm G Forbes & others for taking Names of Persons to serve as Jurors.....	$114
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of Septr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Nicholas Bayard
Theophilus Beekman
Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
Jacob De la Montagnie
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Anthony Post
Thomas Storm
Anthony Brown
Philip J Arcularius
Nicholas Carmer
Mangle Minthorn
Garret Harsen
} Assistts

George Harsin, Taylor
Joseph Dunkly, Grocer
} admitted & sworn free Men. 16/6 each.

[235] A Petition of Thomas Hazard Goaler praying that the allowance for subsisting crimi Prisoners be encreased was read & referred to Aldn De la Montagnie & Messrs Carmer & Harsen.

On a representation by Aldn Lenox that Water Street from Wall Street to Pine Street ought to be raised Ordered that the Street Committee direct a new Survey to be made of that Street.

On reading a Petition of Nichs Governeur & other Proprietors of Lots at Corlaers Hook a new Ordinance was passed for digging out & filling in Water Street from Doctor Romaynes Ground to John

Youles Ground " And for repealing an Ordinance passed the 11th day of July 1796—on that Subject

Messrs Towt & Tylee agreable to the Order of the 18th Instant reported that they had inspected the Leader lately made for Engine N° 7 & found it altogether insufficient.

Ordered that the Committee on that subject direct the said Leader to be returned to the maker & that a new one be made in its stead.

An Ordinance for filling in Chambers Street from Greenwich Street to the River & for paving the foot Walk on the south side from Greenwich Street to the west side of Henry Ten Brooks House; was passed by the Bd

An Ordinance was passed for paving Cross Street from Mulberry Street to the southwest side of Water Street And Orange Street from Chatham Street to Mary Street.

[236] Ordered that James Shaw be appointed a fireman to Hook & Ladder Company N° 1 & John Mercereau to Engine N° 9 vice Charles Stewart resigned

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nichs Carmer for ballce of his Acct for the erection of new Fish Markt	£266: 6: 6
issd	David Marshall for superintends Potters field burying Ground	£18: 2:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for lighting Lamps	£76:12: 4
issd	Angevine & Hanna for watchs at Goal	£21:14:—
issd	Isaac Guiver for Repairs to a Pump in Charlotte Street	£3:11:—
issd	Wm A Hardenbrook for paving round Wells in 6th Ward	£6: 2:11
issd	Moore & Gosman for the like	£17:—:—
issd	Steenbeck & Heckle for Repairs to Goal & Bridewell	£23: 6:—
issd	The same for paving round Wells	£11: 8:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 29th September 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard Jacob De laMontagnie Gabriel Furman Robert Lenox Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Alds	Anthony Post Garret Harsen Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer	Assists

[237] The Committee on the Treasurers Books & Accounts delivered in the following Report; which was agreed to by the Board vizt

" We the subscribers being a Committee appointed for examining

the Acc[ts] of the City Treasurer Do report that we have attended to the Business as directed That there has been received by Loans directed by Common Council from the Bank of New York & others Eleven thousand Pounds—received from Richard Lawrence for a Loan made him One hundred & twenty Pounds—for Interest on sundry Notes due sixteen Pounds 17/6 From Market Stands sold & from the assessment on John Street & from Corporation Tickets issued out Six thousand two hundred & fifty three Pounds 11/4[d] And from the different Branches of City Revenue Eight thousand six hundred & fifty three Pounds 10/3[d] which with the ballance due on the last settlement of six thousand six hundred & sixty seven Pounds 8/11¾ makes thirty two thousand seven hundred & eleven Pounds 8/0¾ And that there has been paid out twenty seven thousand One hundred & sixty four Pounds 9/10 which leave a Ball[ce] of five thousand five hundred & forty six Pounds 18/2¾ due the City of New York.

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Thomas Storm
Mangle Minthorn"

[238] The Board then, purs[t] to the directions in the Charter, proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix was appointed accordingly

M[r] Mayor then nominated & appointed James Culbertson High Constable for the ensuing Year

On a suggestion that the lighting of the public Lamps by Contract would be attended with greater Œconomy *that* [than] the present Mode practised.

Ald[n] Furman De La Montagnie & Lenox & Mess[rs] Post & Minthorn were appointed a Committee to enquire into & consider of the subject & report to the Board

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Anthony Post	
Robert Lenox		Philip J Arcularius	
Nicholas Bayard		Thomas Storm	

[239] The Clerk laid before the Board the Returns of the Elections held in the several Wards on the 29th Inst for Charter Officers from which it appears that the following Persons were elected vizt

	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Thomas Storm	Assist
1st Wd	John Remsen, James Van Dyk	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Charles Handasyde, Philip Fulkerson	Constables
	John B Coles	Aldn
	Garret Harsen	Assist
2d Wd	Abraham Varick, William Denning	Assessors
	Cornelius C Wynkoop	Collector
	Henry Burtsell, Barn't Newkerk	Constables
	Theophilus Beekman	Aldn
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
3d Wd	David Wolfe, John J Glover	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Robert Johnson	Constables
	Anthony Post	Aldn
	John Bogert	Assistts
4th Wd	Isaac Jones, Benjamin Romayne	Assessors
	Thomas Lafoy	Collector
	John Ackerman, John Rains	Constables

[240]	Jotham Post	Aldn
	Philip J Arcularius	Assist
5th Wd	Nicholas N Anthony, Andrew Mercein	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	Joseph Dunkley, Samuel Montgomery	Constables
	Jacob De LaMontagnie	Aldn
	Anthony Brown	Asstt
6th Wd	James Riker, Joseph Watkins	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	William Campbell, Henry Bogardus	Constables
	Richard Furman	Aldn
	Mangle Minthorn	Assist
Bowery Division	Henry Rutgers, William W Gilbert	Assessors
	Martin Morrison	Collector
7th Wd	John McLauchlen, Lewis Smith	Constables
Harlem Division	Jonathan Randall, John De Lancey	Assessors
	John Bussing	Collector
	Aaron Bussing, Adolphus Bussing	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend in the Common Council Chamber on the 14th Instt at 11 OClock in the forenoon to take & subscribe the Oaths prescribed by Law & the Charter of this City.

[241] The Clerk laid before the Board proposals sealed up & delivered by several Persons for Brooklyn Ferry pursuant to the advertizemt on that Subject in the News Papers & on their being opened & read the Board determined that the Offer of Gilbert Van Mater at 2000 Dollars per Annum appeared to be the best Offer And thereupon ordered that a Lease to him be prepared accordingly

Estimates & Ass[ess]ments for paving the Street in front & on both sides of the Exchange Slip—South Street from White Hall Slip to the Exchange Slip & the Street on the East side of White Hall Slip; were read & ratified by the Board And Abm Russell & George Gosman were appointed to Collect the Monies thereon and to pave the said Streets on their entering into Bond with Surety for the faithfull performance thereof by the 15th Novr next

An Ordinance was passed for repaving the Kennels in Water Street from the East Kennel of Wall Street to the Fly Market.

Ordered that William Hardenbrook be & he is hereby appointed Chief Engineer of the Fire Men vice William J Elsworth resigned.

[242] Ordinances were passed for paving with Brick or Flagging all such parts of the foot or side Walks as are not so paved on each side of the Broad Way from Wall Street to Marketfield Street on the East side & from Rector Street to Beaver Lane on the West side And such of the foot or side Walks in Beaver Street as are not so paved. Also the foot or side Walks in front Street from Coenties Slip to Wall Street.

Ordered that John Van Pelt be appointed Inspector of Fire Wood at the old Slip vice John Harriott resigned.

A Petition of James Donalson for a Grant of a Water Lot was read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Richd Furman for so much assessed on the Corporation for paving Chatham Square	£217:12:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	Benjn Hunting for Lamp Oil	£189: 0: 4
issd	Luke Kip & Winard Mitchell for pursuing Moses Knap & others charged with felony	£3: 4:—
issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct for fire Wood	£60:—:—

The Treasurer or Chamberlain laid before the Board his annual Accounts of Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax which were examined with their respective Vouchers by the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen & found right & agreable to the Directions of the Statute certified accordingly.

[243] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3d day of Octr 1797

Present/ James Kent Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Theophs Beekman, Nichs Bayard, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman

Assistts: Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Brown, Nichs Carmer, Philip J Arcularius

Daniel Hitchcock a Candidate at the late Election of Charter Officers in the fifth Ward for the Office of Assistant or Common Council Man having by his Petition represented to this Board that he has reason to believe that a greater number of legal Votes were given for him at the said Election than were given for Philip J Arcularius the other Candidate who is returned as duly elected to the said Office

And therefore prayed that a Scrutiny may be had on the Poll List taken at the said Election Whereupon it was ordered that the Prayer of the said Petition be granted And that Wednesday the 11th Instant at 3 OClock in the Afternoon be appointed for the hearing of the Parties on the subject of the said Scrutiny before this Board in the Common Council Chamber And that the Parties Exchange Lists of such Votes as they shall respectively object to.

[244] Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Office of Loan Officers Evert Bancker & Cornelius Ray Esqrs Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes and Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers And this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes & Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed & required.

The following is a statement of their Accounts.

Debtr

City and County of New York in Account with the Loan Officers of said City and County in pursuance of an Act passed the 18th April 1786 ..... Credr

1797.		Interest	Principal
Augt	To the Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Int	£80: 0: 0	£0: 0: 0
Augt 26th	To Cash paid the Treasurer on Acct Int & principal Recd	479: 4: 0	1108: 0: 0
Septt 28	To Cash paid Do in full for Interest & Do as Pr Receipt	28:15: 0	76: 0: 0
		£587:19: 0	£1184: 0: 0
	To Ballance for principal remaining on Loan....	.....	£10499: 0: 0
			£11683: 0: 0

NB. £10499 Principal is 26247½ Dollars Balle

1796			Principal
Septemr 20th	By Ballance remaining on Loan	.....	£11683: 0: 0
1797		Interest	
June 20th	By one Year Interest due on the principal at 5 ℔ Ct.....£584: 3: 0		.....
Septemr 19th	By 1 Year Interest on Mortgage No 41 that would have been due in June 98 on Jane Falk Decd Estate sold	3:16: 0	.....
		£587:19: 0	£11683: 0: 0

New York the 30th September 1797. Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker
Cornt Ray } Loan Officers

Debtr

Treasury of the State of New York in Account with the New Loan Officers of the City and County of New York..... Credr

1797			
July 2nd	To Loan Officers Salary for one Year.....	£80: 0: 0	
Do	To Cash paid the Treasurer in full as ℔ Receipt 2695 Dollars or.....	1078: 0: 0	£1158: 0: 0

1797		
May 2nd	By Interest for one Year on £19300 at 6 ℔er Cent....£1158: 0: 0	.....

New York the 30th Septemr 1797.
Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker
Cornt Ray } Loan Officers

[245] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 11th day of October 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Nicholas Bayard Theophilus Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post Robert Lenox Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm Anthony Post Garret Harsen

Assists

Daniel Hitchcock & Philip J Arcularius the two Candidates for the Office of Assist or Common Council Man at the late Election of Charter Officers in the fifth Wd attended the Board agreable to the Order of the last Meeting & delivered in their respective Lists of exceptionable Votes taken at the said Election.

Whereupon the Board proceeded to scrutinize and enquire into the legality of the Votes on the said Lists respectively, some of which on each List were found to be good Votes & some others bad Votes, and having gone through the Enquiry in the presence of the Parties it appeared that each of them had an equal number of good Votes viz

[246] Henry Burtsell a Constable of the second Ward having, at the last Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace held in & for this City & County, been indicted and convicted of certain mal & corrupt Practice in the execution of his said Office

Ordered that he be notified to appear before this Board on Saturday the 14th Instant at 11 O'Clock in the forenoon to shew Cause why he shall not be amoved from the Freedom of this City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasury to
issd pay Aldn De LaMontagnie on Acct towards the Common Sewer from the Alms He $1.000

[247] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 14th day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm
*John B Coles		Garrit Harsen
Theophilus Beekman		Nicholas Carmer
*Anthony Post		*John Bogert
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius
Jacob De la Montagnie		Anthony Brown
*Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorne

Those marked * are new members.

Samuel Montgomery Windsor Chair Maker admitted & sworn a Free Man 16/6

Mr Mayor administered to the Aldermen & Assistants above named (except Mr Arcularius who was adjudged to continue or hold over in his Office until another should be elected at the next annual Election & sworn in his stead) and the other followg Officers, the Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter of this City—vizt

Daniel Phœnix Esqr Treasr or Chamberlain who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved & filed

	1st Wd...	John Remsen & James Van Dyk	Assessors
	2d Wd...	Abraham Varick &	
	3d Wd...	David Wolfe & John J Glover	
	4th Wd...	Isaac Jones & Benjamin Romaine	
	5th Wd...	Nicholas N Anthony & Andrew Merwin	
	6th Wd...	James Riker & Joseph Watkins	
7th Wd	Bowery Division	Henry Rutgers & William W Gilbert	
7th Wd	Harlem Do	John De Lancey & Jonathan Randall	
[248]	1st Wd...	Charles Handasyde & Philip Fulkerson	Constables
	2d do ...	Henry Burtsell & Barn't Newkerk	
	3d do ...	Robert Johnson & Samuel Stockwell	
	4th do ...	John Ackerman & John Rains	
	5th do ...	Joseph Dunkley &	
	6th do ...	William Campbell & Henry Bogardus	
7th Wd	Bowery Division	John McLauchlen & Lewis Smith	
7th Wd	Harlem Division	Adolphus Bussing &	

William Denning Assessor for the second Ward being absent from this City & Aaron Bussing Constable of Harlem Division of the 7th Ward not having been notified to attend

Ordered that they be notified to attend & take the Oaths at a Meeting of the Board without delay.

It appearing that Samuel Montgomery returned a Constable elect

for the fifth Ward was neither a Freeman or Freeholder in the Ward Ordered that an Election be held in the said Ward on Monday the 23d Instant of a Constable in his stead

Ordered that Aldn G Furman, Beekman De La Montagnie, Coles & R: Furman & Messrs Minthorn & Bogert be the standing Committee for Streets & Roads.

That Aldn De La Montagnie & R: Furman & Mr Bogert be the standing Committee for Accts

That Aldn J Post, & A Post & Messrs Carmer & Brown be the standing Committee for Lamps.

And that Aldn Coles & Messrs Harsen Storm & Arcularius be the standing Committee for repairs to public Buildings &c

[249] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Octr 16th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jacob De La Montagnie Jotham Post Richard Furman Theophilus Beekman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius John Bogert Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Representation of Gilbert Van Mater on the subject of the want of necessary Repairs to the Wharf at Brooklyn Ferry was read & referred to the Committee on Repairs

A Petition of some young Students at Law for the use of the lower Room in the City Hall to meet in one Evening in the Week was read & granted provided it does [not] incommode the sitting & Business of the Court for trying Causes to the value of Ten Pounds.

Ordered that the Street Committee report as soon as possible on the several Proposals delivered in by the Surveyors & others for making a Survey & Plan of this City.

Ordered that the Chief Engineer cause the new Leader made for Engine No 7 inspected by Messrs Towt & Tylee & reported to the Board.

[250] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Danl Raveau & John Smith for the ballce due on Contract to fill up Pecks Slip.....	£25:—:—
issd	James Irwin for Repairs to a Well & Pump 5th Wd.....	£11: 6: 9
issd	Isaac Johnson for the like 6th Wd.....	5:18: 9
issd	Latham Bunker for lamp Oil.....	136: 9:10

issd	Hopkins & Co for printing	£2:—:—
issd	The Clerks at the late Election of Charter Officers	£5:12:—
issd	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Pumps 1st Ward	£5: 2:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles	£3: 7: 6
issd	Simon Kiersted for Repairs to Pumps in 6th & 7th Wards	£104:19: 6
issd	Wm J Elsworth on Acct towards fire Engine Department	£150: 4: 9
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	139: 2: 6
issd	Garret Van Bomell for a lost Bucket	0:16:—

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

John W Hardenbrook to Engine No 18 vice John Burger removed from the City.

Ezra Weeks to Engine No 12 vice Corns Schermerhorn resigned.

Elias Hatfield to Engine No 20 vice Barney Dekline resigned.

[251] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 17th day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Jotham Post Anthony Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Thomas Storm Anthony Brown Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius

Assistts

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Aldn De la Montagnie on Acct towards the Sewer making from the Alms House to the River	$1000
issd	Garret Harsen on Acct towards Repairs maks by order of the Bd	$1000

The Board being convened for the purpose of waiting upon His Excellency the *President of the United States who is now in this City on his way from Boston to the Seat of Govt at Phils

Mr Mayor & the Members of the Bd together with their proper Officers proceeded to wait upon him accordingly

* Marginal note reads *John Adams*.—Ed.

[252] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23d day of October 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Jacob De La Montagnie Jotham Post Richard Furman Anthony Post John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

From the Poll List of the Election held in the 5th Ward for a Constable it appeared that Samuel Montgomery was duly elected & he attended & took & subscribed the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

Two Letters from the Commissioners of the Health Office were read. The one representing the state of the Wharfs particularly those on the East River & recommending that the Proprietors cause them to be compleated & filled up with solid materials & the other requesting a further advance of Money to discharge incurred Expences. Thereupon

Ordered that the Proprietors of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & Catharine Slip be & they are hereby required to cause the Street of seventy feet in breadth on the East River called South Street in front of their respective Lots to be made & finished by the first [253] day of October in the year 1798 And also that they cause their respective Lots to be extended out to the said Street & compleatly filled in with wholesome Materials to a proper heighth by that Day.

An Ordinance was passed requiring Robert Bowne & Thomas Eddy and the Executors or Devisees of Robert Bruce deceased to cause their respective Lots situate in the second Ward & lying between Front Street & South Street to be compleatly filled up with solid & wholesome Materials to such heighth as that the Water will run off freely into the Street by the first day of April next under the Penalty of two hundred & fifty Dollars for each Lot which shall not be so filled up.

Ordered that the Street Committee examine Pecks Slip, James's Slip & Catharine Slip & report to the Board what Improvements are necessary And also to examine the Lots of Peter W Livingston & Walter Bowne & to report whether the said Lots or others in the vicinity require Ordinances to be passed for filling them up.

Ordered that Mr Harsen employ the Mud Drudge in clearing out

such Slips as require it And also that he employ Men to dig out & deepen the White Hall Slip.

Estimates & Assessments for paving Orange Street & Cross Street were read & ratified by the Board & John Tabellie was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Thomas Whytlaw to pave the said Streets.

On a Representation of the Keeper of the Bridewell Ordered that Mr Harsen take Order for repairing the Windows.

[254] The Committee on the Representation of Gilbert Van Mater on the State of the Wharf, Bridge & Slip at Brooklyn Ferry delivered in a Report and thereupon it was ordered that Mr Harsen take order for repairing the Wharfs & deepening the Slip—the repairing of the Bridge or Stairs to be suspended for the present

Mr Elsworth superintendant of the Lamp Department having resigned that Office & being about to leave this City in a few Days Ordered that Peter Cole Keeper of the Bridewell take charge of the Business until a further arrangement on the subject takes place.

Ordered that Thomas Brown & James Tylee be appointed Engineers of the Fire Department vice Isaac Mead resigned & George Warner removed from the City.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward take order for the erection of an Engine House at the Furnace in Greenwich Street

Ordered that Mr Stagg employ two Carts to fill up the Street over the Sewer from the Alms House to the River.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The Commissrs of Health Office on acct.....	$1000
issd	Aldn De la Montagnie on Acct towards the Sewer from the Alms House.....	$500
issd	Robert Valentine for Carpenters Work to the new Watch House	£15:15:—
issd	The same for a Grate to the Common Sewer in Roosevelt Street	£7: 4:—
issd	Wm J Elsworth for ballce of his Acct in the Lamp Department	£63: 0: 2
issd	Bernard O'Blenis for ballce of his Acct as Clerk in the Police Office	£11:11: 4
issd	John Morton for printing.....	£30:14:—

[255] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th day of Octr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm	Assists

Ordered that Aldn J. Post & A. Post and Messrs Storm, Harsen Carmer Arcularius & Brown with the Aid of Mr Recorder be a Committee to take into Consideration the provision made by Act of the Legislature concerning free Schools in this City & report to the Board the Measures necessary to be adopted on the subject

An Application of the Trustees of the Affrican free School for a further Aid towards the support of the said School was read & referred to the above Committee

A Request of Henry Cruger to run the Fence in front of his Farm at Blooming Dale on a strait Line was read & referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Nathl Clark for indemnification against certain Persons for digging out in part the Street at Corlears Hook was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[256] The Grand Jurors at the last Supreme Court having presented as a Nuisance a certain Lot of Ground at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets belonging to this Board & occupied by Gardiner Baker as a Menage or Place for the keeping of wild Animals.

Ordered that Mr Baker be notified to provide another Place for his Menage & that he remove from & surrender the said Lot by the first day of May next

Estimates & Assessments for paving the foot or side Walks in Broad Way & Beaver Street were read & ratified by the Board; And Wm G Forbes was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John McCombs to execute the Work.

Ordered that Waters Furman be appointed to collect the Monies on the Assessments for paving Cross Street & Orange Street vice John Tabellie who declines serving.

An Application from the Justices of the Court for trying Causes to the value of £10 that their Room in the City Hall be supplied with Fuel at the public Expence; was read & granted.

Ordered that John Stephens Junr be appointed a fireman to Engine

N° 18 vice Jonathan Lawrence resigned And William L Mott to Engine N° 7 vice Thomas Brown resigned.

[257] The following Reports were read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

"The Street Committee report that James's Slip ought to be dug out & deepened at it's head so as to be under Water at the lowest Tide And that the Proprietors of the Lots on the West side of the Slip be required to repair the Pier in front of their respective Lots where it is necessary That on viewing Catharine Slip the Committee are of Opinion that a Bulkhead ought to be laid across the Slip on a line with the south side of Water Street on the West side of the Slip: Provided the Inhabitants & Owners of Lots in the vicinity will agree to fill in the Slip at their private Expence.

The Committee on the subject of the City Watch Do recommend that the Watchman in the rear of the Gov[t] House be removed & placed at the Old Slip or Coenties Slip And they also recommend that four additional Watchmen be employed to be stationed in the 6[th] Ward."

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Ald[n] De La Montagnie on Acc[t] towards the Sewer from the Alms House	$1000
iss[d]	W[m] J Elsworth for ball[ce] of his Acc[t] in the Lamp Department	£115:11: 6
iss[d]	The same for lighting the public Lamps	£76:19:—
iss[d]	[258] John Stoutenburgh for Iron Mongery at Belle Vue Hospital	£4: 5: 6
iss[d]	George Dominick for Timber on Repairs to the Bridge lead[g] to Harlem	£3: 8:11
iss[d]	Josiah Furman for numbering the Houses in several Streets 5[th] & 7[th] W[ds]	£9: 3: 6
iss[d]	Isaac Johnson for Repairs to a Well & Pump in Catharine Street	£3:19: 6
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Nov^{r} 6th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
James Kent Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman, Theoph^{s} Beekman, Anthony Post, Jacob De La Montagnie, Richard Furman, John B Coles } Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}

John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Brown, Garret Harsen, Philip J Arcularius } Assist^{ts}

M^{r} Mayor & the Members proceeded to visit & examine the state of the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell & the situation of the Inhabitants & Prisoners therein and being returned the [258] Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with the Vouchers attending the same & found them just & right.

Those of the Alms House amount^{g} to..... £3050:17: 4½
Bridewell.....to..... 522: 8:—

An Estimate of the Commissioners for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved viz^{t}

For the Alms House..... £3000:—:—
For the Bridewell..... 500:—:—

iss^{d} Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} for the payment thereof

The Street Committee on the Petition of Nath^{l} Clark (who undertook & was appointed to dig out & fill in the Street commonly called Crown Point Street at Corlears Hook for reimbursement of Monies by him expended in that Business Report that the sixty Dollars advanced by M^{r} Clark ought to be reimbursed him by this Board & that he ought to be allowed twenty Dollars for his Trouble & Attention therein; which was agreed to by the B^{d} & it was ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasurer for payment.

iss^{d}

The Street Committee on the subject of Pecks Slip Report that in their Opinion the Bulkhead & the Pier on the West side ought to be repaired & the head of the Slip dug out below the lowest Tide, until the [259] Piers shall be extended out into the River so far as to make suitable Accomodations for the Market Boats beyond front Street; which was agreed to by the Board.

The Street Committee on the Petition of David Marshall Report it as their Opinion that he ought to be directed to take Charge of the

House erected on the new public burying Ground & to commence the interring of the dead there instead of the old Potters field; which was agreed to by the Board.

The Committee appointed to report a proper distribution of the Monies appropriated for encouraging & maintaining Schools in the City & County of New York Report that the annual Sum appropriated by Law and the annual Sum directed to be raised by Tax for that purpose amount together for this present Year to £2832 & that the one sixth part thereof amounting to £472 which is directed to be distributed among the several charity Schools in this City ought to be distributed as follows viz[t]

The Charity School of the Episcopal Church	£50
of the presbyterian Church	£100
of the Reformed P. Dutch Church	£100
of the United German Lutherin Church	£25
of the Scotch Pres Church	£50
of the Methodist Church	£37
The Affrican free School	£110
	£472

[260] And that the other five sixth Parts of the said Sum amounting to £2360 ought to be applied towards the erection support & maintenance of one or more free Schools in the said City & which Schools ought to be established under the direction of Commissioners to be appointed for that purpose by the Corporation which Report was agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that

iss[d] M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay the Sums distributed among the Charity Schools as aforesaid.

Ordered that the Deputy Clerks of the Markets cause all such of the Butchers Stalls in the several Markets as are not already numbered, to be numbered in such manner as to be easily seen

Ordered that Jacob Acker be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 1 vice Ab[m] Dey resigned to Engine N° 4 Peter Lourilliard vice Corn[s] B Sebring resigned.

To Engine N° 21 Francis Lynch vice James Tylee appointed Engineer & to N° 23 John Purdy vice Yellis Mandeville removed & William Brown vice Henry Fassaur resigned

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps	£113:17:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for Constables & Marshalls conveying Vagrants to Bridewell	£5: 7: 6
iss[d]	Rob[t] Valentine for Repairs to Albany Pier	£25:12:10
iss[d]	John Hutson for sweep[g] Chimnies [at] Goal	£2: 0: 6

issd	Thadᵉ Mayhew for Lamp Oil.....	$488⁴⁴⁄₁₀₀
issd	Martin Morrison for the Sum assessed on the Corporation for paving Catharine Street.....	£15:13: 1

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[262] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 9th day of Novr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman Jotham Post Anthony Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Thomas Storm Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius	Assists

A Letter from Carlisle Pollock on the subject of widening Rector Street through the Water Lot intended to be granted to him was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading a proposal of Edward Livingston The Board agree that instead of his paying the Sum of £800 as the Consideration for the Soil from high to low Water Mark in front of his Lots on Hudson River the annual Interest of that Sum at the rate of seven per Cent per annum be reserved in the Grant & redeemable on his paying the principal

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for the sinking of a Well at the new public burying Ground.

[263] Ordered that the Committee contract with Mr Whytlaw or any other to make the Drains necessary for leading the Water from the Alms House, Goal & Bridewell into the Common Sewer leading to the River.

Complaint having been repeatedly made to the board of great impositions by some of the Cartmen in this City in demanding greater prices for Cartage than are by Law allowed and established and of frauds committed by persons who drive carts without being licensed or their Carts numbered or under vacated licences of persons who had been Cartmen in this City And the board having revised the Law for the regulating of Carts and Cartmen and so established the prices or rates of Cartage as in their judgment will amply compensate the Cartmen for their Services have on this day directed the Law to be republished for the information of their fellow citizens and have also passed the following orders or resolutions which they have likewise

directed to be published that all concerned may govern themselves accordingly viz[t]

Resolved, That this Board request the present Mayor to revoke and call in all the licences heretofore granted by him to drive Carts in this City and that all such licences shall from and after the fifteenth day of December next be deemed void; and that he be further requested to grant a new licence together with a copy of these Resolutions and the Law aforesaid to all such of the present Cartmen as shall chuse to continue in that employ and to all persons to be hereafter appointed by him

That the Cartmen be arranged into classes or [264] Companies to consist of a foreman and 49 other Cartmen; and that a list of the names of each Class be delivered to the foreman thereof

That it shall be the duty of each foreman to attend to the execution as well of the Laws resolutions and orders of this board, as the orders of the Mayor for the time being touching the Cartmen And that the directions of the respective foremen on that subject be complied with

That it shall also be the duty of each foreman on the second Mondays in February May August and November in every year to make a report in writing to the Mayor of all vacancies which have happened in their respective Classes by death forfeiture resignation or removal from the City.

That it shall be the duty of each Cartman on the first Monday in every month to report his name and place of abode in writing to the foreman of his Class; and that each Cartman who shall refuse or neglect to report to his foreman as aforesaid or shall for two months neglect to drive his Cart (unless prevented by inability from sickness or otherwise) shall be considered as having relinquished the business of a Cartman and his licence be vacated

That no Cartman shall be permitted to have in his employ more than one Cart nor shall any person under the age of twenty one years be permitted to drive a Cart (without a special permission [265] for the purpose obtained from the Mayor) upon pain of the Cartman owning such Cart forfeiting his licence

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th Novr 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophilus Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Jotham Post		Garret Harsen	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Anthony Post		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles			
Jacob De La Montagnie			

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in Crown Point Street was read & ratified by the Board & Martin Morrison was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart & Thomas J Stagg to dig &c &c

The like for paving the foot or side Walks of front Street from Coenties Slip to Wall Street was read & ratified by the Board & Cornr C. Wynkoop was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Russel & Gosman to do the paving

The Street Committee on the Subject of the proposals of Messrs Mangin & Goerick [266] City Surveyors for the making of a Survey of all the Streets of this City reported that *that* Messrs Mangin & Goerick would undertake the Business on certain Terms mentioned by the Committee & to which the Board acceeded And Mr Recorder was requested to aid the Committee in drawing the Articles of Contract

An Estimate & Assessment for paving the foot Walk on the So side of Chambers Street from Greenwich Street to the West side of Henry Ten Brooks House; was read & ratified by the Board & John McCombs was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the Street

A Request of Aaron White to make an Area to his House in Van de Water Street was read & granted.

The Street Committee on the Letter of Carlisle Pollock report that ten feet ought to be reserved from the Water Lot intended to be granted to him to widen Rector Street which was agreed to by the Board.

The following Regulation of Rector Street was reported by the Street Committee & agreed to by the Board vizt

"Descent from the western Kennel in Greenwich Street to the present extent of Rector Street at the River with 1½ Inch on 10

feet: In consequence the said Street will require to be raised 1 foot 1 Inch at the extent of 63 feet distance from the western Kennel in Greenwich Street—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot 5 Inches & at the extent of 78 feet further the Wall plate will require to be raised 11 Inches.

[267] Ordered that Gamaliel Smith be appointed a fireman to Engine N° 15 vice Samuel Wallgrove resigned And David Jacobs to N° 14 vice Tunis Riker resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Garret Harsen on Acct public Works	£300:—:—
issd	Oliver Mildeberger for Repairs to a Well in Van de Water Street	18: 6: 6
issd	Peterson & Riley for the like in Chatham St	£5:17: 6
issd	Isaac Montagnie for the like at Hudson Market	£10:17: 6
issd	Russel & Gosman for a Drain at the Exchange Slip & front Street	£16:18:11
issd	Justices of the £10 Court	$474
	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6
issd	Joshua Barker for a new fire Engine Hs	£17: 7:10
issd	Wm Hardenbrook for tin Spout's to the new Fish Market	£2: 2: 6

[268] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Novr 20th 1797.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob DelaMontagnie Jotham Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Alda	Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen John Bogert Anthony Brown Thomas Storm Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

The Clerk presented to the Board a Draft of the Lease to Gilbert Van Mater for the Ferry to Brooklyn for three Years from the 15th Instant at the Rent of $2000 per annum which was approved by the Board & ordered to be engrossed & with the Common Seal of the City affixed thereto delivered to Mr Van Mater on his executing the counterpart and a Bond in $4000 with good Security (to be adjudged of by Mr Mayor) to secure the payment of the Rent & the performance of the Covenants.

Ordered that the paving of the foot Walks in Front Street be suspended 'till the next Spring.

And the working of the Mud Drudge 'till further Orders.

Ordered that Abraham Heller be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 8 vice Jacob Hart resign'd And Jacob Fullam to N° 16 vice Benj[a] Haight resigned

[269] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	Rinier Skaats on Acc[t] for fire Wood for the Courts of Justice &c	£60:—:—
iss[d]	The same for 1 Q[r] Salary & Disbursm[ts]	£22: 2:—
iss[d]	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£539:14: 8
iss[d]	Archibald Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps	£35: 6: 6
iss[d]	Bernard O Blenis for ball[ce] of his Acc[t] as Clerk of the Police Office	£14: 6: 4

Ordered that the Licences issued to Butchers who have no Stands, in the Fly Market be vacated.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Nov[r] 27[th] 1797

Present/ James Kent Esq[r] Recorder

Theoph[s] Beekman	John Bogert
Jotham Post	Mangle Minthorne
Anthony Post	Philip J Arcularius
Jacob De la Montagnie	Nich[s] Carmer
Richard Furman	

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Ald[n] DelaMontagnie on Acc[t] tow[ds] Alms H[s] Sewer	$1000
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps & setting Lamp Posts	£104:17:—
iss[d]	John J Roome Clk of Election 5[th] Wd	£0:16:—
iss[d]	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads	£262: 8: 5
iss[d]	Jacob Harsen for the like	£589: 1: 1
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
iss[d]	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6
iss[d]	Angevine & Hanna for watch[s] at the Goal	£15:15:—
iss[d]	Dan[l] Dunbar for wharfage recovered ag[t] the B[d] at Burlings Slip	$2^{97}/_{100}

[270] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 4th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
Richard Furman
Anthony Post
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn
Garret Harsen
John Bogert
Anthony Brown
} Assistts

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out & filling in the Broad Way from Scott L Clarks House to the arched Bridge & the other Streets in connection. was read & ratified by the Bd and Joshua Barker was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Philip Ruckle to execute the Work on his giving Bond with good Surety in $2000 to compleat the Business by the first of October next

A Request of Colo Bauman to erect a Portico to cover the Door of the Post Office from the weather; was read & granted

Ordered that Willet Seaman be appointed a fire Man & Fire Warden in the 3d Ward vice William Hardenbrook resigned Jacamiah Ackerly in the 7th Ward vice Nathaniel Fanning removed And Isaac Stoutenburgh in the 4th Wd vice John Bogert resigned.

[271] The Committee on the small Change Notes reported that they had burnt to ashes the followg vizt

9000	of 3d	£112:10:—
8000	2d	66:13: 4
8000	1d	33: 6: 8
		212:10:—
3 imperfect Sheets		18:—
		£213: 8:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	James Stryker & Saml Stillwell Trustees of a School at Blooming Dale in the 7th Wd (out of the Monies raised by Tax & granted by the Legislature) for the sd School	$50
issd	Robert Lenox for a fire Engine made at Phila	$690 19/100
issd	Messrs Mangin & Gœrick Surveyors on acct of their Contract to make a new Survey of all the Streets	$200
issd	Casimir Th: Gœrick for Surveyg Streets	£19: 4:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£2:18: 9
issd	David Marshall for supg Potters field	£21:—:—
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to Pumps	£7: 0: 6
issd	Jacob Tabellie for supg Streets	£64: 6: 9
issd	Alexr McDougall for hanging an alarm Bell on the new Watch Hs	£4: 2:—
issd	John Hyde for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the evacuation of this City by the British Troops	£53:17:—

[272] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of Decr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Anthony Post
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
John B Coles
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office with their Accounts was read; from which it appears that a ballce of £197:3:5 remains in their hands which the Bd direct them to retain 'till further Order & the Board signify & declare their approbation of the Conduct of & the Accounts rendered by the said Commissioners; exceptg that they consider the Charge made by Mr Dodge of 24/ for a Coffin as exorbitant;

A proposal of Gilbert Van Mater for an extension of his Lease of Brooklyn Ferry to seven Years & to make such deduction in the Rent as to enable him to employ a third Person in each of the lesser Boats to act as Helmsman; was read & rejected

[273] Mr Recorder presented to the Bd a Draft of Articles of Agreement between this Board & Messrs Gœrick & Mangin for the making of a Survey & Map of this City with all the Streets & Water Lots which was read & approved by the Bd & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed to one part thereof on the other Party's executing the other part

Ordered that the two Watchmen at the Bridewell be stationed at some other proper Place or Places in the 6th Ward & that the two Men employed to guard the Goal be discharged.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct.....	£300:—:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	John Ten Eyck for Gun Powder on the celebration of the last 25th Novr.....	$57 87/100
issd	Saml Delameter for a Leader to a fire Engine.....	£6: 5: 7½
issd	Wm Beekman for carriage Hire for the Road Committee	£1:12:—
issd	Barn't B Sebring for Blacksmith Work at the Goal..	£17:18: 5½

[274] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Decr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John B Coles Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Thomas Storm Garrit Harsen	Assistts

A Letter from Mr Shee with Receipt for the Money for the new fire Engine was read & filed.

A Letter from Robert Lylburn on the subject of the unsettled State of the boundary Line between the Proprietors of Lands on the Bloomingdale Road & the Common Lands was read & referred to the Street or Land Committee.

Ordered that Mr Harsen direct the making of such new Watchmens Boxes as may be necessary agreable to a Report made by the Captts of the City Watch

A Release of Parcel of the Common Lands to Danl McCormick, Charles Smith and William Seton (which said Lands were on an Agreement sold to Thomas B Bridgen & by his consent conveyed to the said Danl McCormick Charles Smith & Wm Seton to secure the Bank of New York for Monies advanced to the said Thomas B Bridgen was read & approved by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto & Mr Mayor to sign the same on behalf of this Board.

[275] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 22d day of Decr 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm Anthony Brown John Bogert Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Nichs Carmer	Assistts

The following Estimate of the Monies which will be required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences of this City the ensuing Year was read & approved vizt

City & County	Alms House		£14000:—:—
	Bridewell		1000:—:—
	Roads		1200:—:—
	Streets		1500:—:—
	Crim[l] Prisoners		1300:—:—
	New Alms House, to repay the Monies borrowed & to compleat Build[g]		4000:—:—
	Contingencies		2300:—:—
			£25300:—:—
City.	Watch. 66 Men 2 Capt[s] & 2[d] Assist[s] for 7 Nights is £139:2:6	£7234:10:—	
	Extra Watchmen at Goal & Bridewell	300:—:—	
	Fuel & Light	100:—:—	
			7634:10:—
	Lamps—936—Oil 9360 Gall[s]		
	Bridewell Alms H[s] 562		
	Gall[s] 9922 @ 8/	£3968:16:—	
	Light[s] & supperinting	1030:—:—	
	Repair[s] & making	500:—:—	
			5498:16:—
	Wells & Pumps		500:—:—
	Contingencies		1000:—:—
			14633: 6:—

[276] The Draft of a Law for the establishment of a Police Office for the more effectually to discover & apprehend Offenders in this City was also read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the said Estimate & Draft of a Law be delivered to the Members from this City & County in the Legislature & that they be requested to endeavor to obtain the passing of Laws for raising the Monies mentioned in the said Estimate & for the establishment of the said Police Office, that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Request & that M[r] Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

A Petition of Andrew Hopper for a settlement of the Boundary Line between his Land & the Common Lands was read & referred to the Land Committee.

Ordered that the City Treas[r] receive from the State Treas[r] the $2000 granted by the Legislature to be applied to the maintenance & support of such Poor in this City as shall not have gained any settlement in this State.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

issued	Aldn DelaMontagnie towards the Sewers & Drains at the Alms Hs	£208:10: 9
issd	Garret Harsen on Acct	£100:—:—
issd	The same for ballce of his Acct for public Work by order of this Bd	£107:15:—
issd	Robt Valentine for removing a Store (on the Corporation Gd at Pecks Slip) to open Front Street	£221: 1:—

[277] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday Decr 27th 1797

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Theophs Beekman Anthony Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer	Assists

Ordered that the Treasr take on Loan from Catharine Turnbull Wife of George Turnbull $700 Dollars with Interest at five per Cent. that a Bond be prepared for the same & the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

A Petition of Mary Nichols for indemnification against the Expences which will arise by her Houses being under mined in the digging out of the Broad Way agreable to the Regulation was read And it was determined that no Relief could be given in the Premisses.

issd & delivd to John W Mulligan Atty at Law

On an application of Mrs Cathn Parsons for payment of £50 for two Marquees by her sold & delivered to the Health Committee in 1793 Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for the payment thereof on her producing a Letter or Order from her husband Wm Parsons who is absent beyond Sea authorizing her to receive the Money.

Ordered that Aldn R Furman be of the Committee for a Reform of the Alms House vice Aldn De La Montagnie who is attends the Legislature in his Seat

[278] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer for ballce of his Acct agt the new Alms Hs	£94: 5: 3
issd	John Borris for use of his House & necessaries by the Bd on public Business	£8:16:—
issd	Peter Cole for lights Lamps	£78: 9:—
issd	The same for placing new Do	£19: 7:—
issd	Bernd O Blenis for ballce of his Acct as Clk of Police Office	$34 42/100

issd	John Smith for cleans Wells	£17: 9:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£139: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday Janr 10th 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, Jotham Post, John B Coles } Esqrs Aldn
Mangle Minthorn, Garret Harsen, John Bogert, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Brown }

The following Petition to the Legislature was read and agreed to by the Board vizt "The Petition of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened. [279] respectfuly sheweth

That the increase of Complaints and Prosecutions in the Court of General Sessions of the Peace in & for the City of New York has rendered the four annual Terms of the said Court not sufficient for the dispatch of Business and the complete attainment of public Justice. That two additional Terms have become necessary for those Purposes and your Petitioners beg leave to suggest that if the Terms be granted the following arrangement of the Terms of the said Court to commence from and after the tenth day of April next would be convenient & suitable to wit. That the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace for the said City be held on the first Tuesday in June the first Tuesday in August—the first Tuesday in October, the first Tuesday in December, the first Tuesday in February & the first Tuesday in April in every Year and that each of the said Sessions may last continue & be held, if in the Judgement of the Court the due administration of Justice should require it until the several Tuesdays next following inclusive.

[280] And your Petitioners further represent that a fit Person specially charged by Law with the Conduct of criminal Prosecutions in the said Court and with a competent Provision for his support to be paid out of the Fines Penalties and Forfeitures arising within the said City would greatly conduce to the prompt and effectual administration of Justice And your Petitioners further respectfully represent that in their Judgement it would be fit and desireable that, that part of the Bridewell in the said City which was lately made a temporary

place for the safe keeping of State Criminals be established by Law as a part of the Goal of the said City & County for the confinement of Criminals only under the particular Care & Charge of the Keeper of the Bridewell of the said City. That such an establishment would contribute to the safe keeping of Criminals & would greatly accommodate the numerous Persons from time to time confined in the Goal of the said City & County for Debt."

Ordered that the Common Seal of the said City be affixed to the said Petition & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

[281] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£36:18:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Jany 15th 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John B Coles Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Anthony Post	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen John Bogert Antho Brown Nichs Carmer

Assistts

On reading a Report of the Commissioners of the Alms House in which they state the particular Situation & Circumstances of the Institution at present & which Report was approved of by the Board A Petition to the Legislature was read setting forth the heavy burthen imposed on this City in the maintenance & support of Emigrant Paupers who have gained no legal settlement in any particular Place & praying Relief in the Premisses;

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Petition & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Bd [282] And that the said Report on the Alms be printed in *Hand Bills to be sent to the Legislature with the said Petition.

Ordered that Thomas Willets be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Company No 2 vice Antho Oliver removed from this City.

* Page 283 is one of these hand bills, in such a dilapidated condition, however, that it is impossible to print it. A similar hand bill, published two years earlier, which was discovered among the loose papers in the custody of the city clerk, has been inserted as a plate following page 212 in this volume.—Ed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied towards Relief of indigent families.....	£200:—:—
issd	Messrs Gœrick & Mangin on Acct of their Contract to make a new Survey of this City.....	$300:—:—

[284] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Jany 22d 1798

Present Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Richd Furman Anthony Post John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn	Assists

A Petition for the running out a Pier on the West side of White Hall Slip was read & referred to the St Comtee

A Petition for erecting a Bridge across the Exchange Slip was read & referred to the same Committee.

An Application of Colo Morton for a longer Lease of some Lots of the Common Lands at the Dove Tavern near the 5 Mile Stone, or to sell the present Lease to the Corporation; was rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	James Culbertson for City Watchn.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£139: 2: 6
issd	John Day for Repairs to the Sewer in Roosevelt Street.	£1:16:—
issd	Thos Hazard for two Watchn at Goal.....	£17:17:—
issd	John Morton for printing.....	£17:10:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for Candles.....	£2:10:—
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk of the Police Office for ballce....	$33 85/100

[285] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Jany 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Anthony Post Jotham Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garret Harsen Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Nichs Carmer

A Petition to the Legislature praying that the Duties imposed by Law on Sales at public Auction in this City be granted towards de-

fraying the public Expences of this City; was read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that Aldn G Furman be of the Committee of Accts vice Aldn R Furman 'till his return from Albany.

On reading a Petition of the Captain & Assistants of the upper Watch Ordered that they be allowed the like Pay as those of the lower Watch.

A Petition of Anna Bancker for a Grant of the Water Lots in front of her Lots at Corlears Hook was read & referred to the Street Committee.

[286] Ordered that the Committee on Schools enquire into the subject & report their Opinion as to the establishing of the School in the Alms House & the Affrican School as free Schools under the Statute for the encouragement of Schools.

The Firemen of Engine No 7 having certified to the Board their having expelled Jacob Tabelle from their Company for open violation of the Laws & disturbing the Harmony of the Company,

Ordered that the said Fire Men do attend this Bd next Monday Week to satisfy this Bd that the Charge is true & that Mr Tabelle be notified to attend also to Defend himself agt the sd Charge.

Ordered that Furman Cheesman be permitted to dig across Cherry Street for the launching of a Vessel on the express condition that he do without delay put the Street in the same Condition he found it

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 3d & the Aldn of the 5th Wards enquire & report with respect to a Store House of James Ward which obstructs the Line of Front Street at Pecks Slip

And that the Clerk write to Saml Farmar with respect to his Store House in the same situation.

[287] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 5th day of Feby 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John B Coles Anthony Post Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Garret Harsen Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown	Assistts

Mr Mayor with the Recorder & the other Members of the Board proceeded to visit & examine the several Wards in the Alms House &

Bridewell and the state & condition of the Inhabitants in the Alms House & the Prisoners in the Bridewell & being returned

The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with the Vouchers & found them just & right; amount[s]

Those of the Alms House to..... £3179: 2: 2
Those of the Bridewell to..... 481:16:—

An Estimate of the Commiss[rs] of the Monies required for the ensuing Q[r] was read & approved by the Board viz[t]

For the Alms House..... £3000:—:—
For the Bridewell..... 600:—:—

iss[d] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer for payment thereof accord[ly]

[288] A Memorial of the Inhabitants in Barley & Magazine Streets against the raising of those Streets to the heigth of the present Regulation was read & referred to the Street Committee.

A Request of David M Clarkson that in digging out the Broad Way one half of the breadth of the side Walk may be permitted to remain in it's present situation until the Season will enable him to secure his Buildings was read & granted.

The Lamp Committee on the Represen[ta]tion of Peter Cole the Superintendant of the Lamp Department Report that the usual practice is to light the Lamps twenty one Nights in each Month; but that in the Opinion of the Committee the Inhabitants will be better accommodated if the Lamps were lighted twenty four Nights in a Month & that the Lamp lighters should be allowed the proportionable encreased pay accordingly; which was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that the Constables Marshalls & City Watchmen be allowed Pay for conveying Criminals to Gaol and Vagrants to Bridewell at the same rate as the allowance heretofore to the Constables & Marshalls for conveying Vagrants to Bridewell.

[289] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	Rinier Skaats on Acc[t] to purchase fire Wood for C[ts] of Justice	£40:—:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls convey[g] Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£5: 9: 6
iss[d]	Corn[s] B Sebring for Iron Work to the Goal.....	£30:16: 3
iss[d]	George Forman for printing a State of the Alms House in H[d] Bills.....	£4:—:—
iss[d]	The Justices of the £10 Court.....	$456
iss[d]	James Culbertson for Watchmen.....	£139:13:—
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like.....	£139:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of febr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
James Kent Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, Richard Furman, John B Coles } Esqrs Alda
John Bogert, Garret Harsen, Nicholas Carmer, Anthony Brown, Mangle Minthorn } Assists

The Board having heard the Foreman & Members of the Company of Engine No 7 on Oath as to the Complaint agt Jacob Tablie one of their Fellows for rude & improper Conduct towards the Company & refusing to observe the Rules & regulations established & agreed to by the [290] Company & disturbing the Harmony thereof and Mr Tablie attending having been also heard in his defence The Board determined that he be removed from the Office or Place of a fireman of this City And that John Drake be appointed in his stead

A Proposal of Jonathan Hunt to supply the City with fresh Water was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

On the application of William King Ordered that he be permitted to lay his Timber for the Frame of a House in the fields for twelve Days.

A Petition to the Legislature in the follows Words was read & agreed to by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed & Mr Mayor to sign it on behalf of the Board vizt

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New York.

The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened.

Respectfully sheweth,

That as well for the Ornament & Improvement of the City as for the encouragement of the Trade and commerce of the State and the Safety of the Shipping at the Wharves of this City, Your petitioners have lately directed a permanent Street of seventy feet wide to be laid out and compleated at and on the extremity of their Grants already made and hereafter to be made to Individuals; on the East River called South Street and on the North or Hudson's River called West Street: South and [291] West of which Streets no buildings of any description are to be permitted to be erected, so that Vessels lying at the Wharfs may be secured from Fires.

That by reason of the curving and otherwise irregular State of the Shore at low Water Mark in the East and the North Rivers, at

the time of the making of the Grants by the predecessors of your Petitioners, a General Map of which, if ever made, cannot now be found, the Grants heretofore made are deemed to extend to unequal Distances into both Rivers, which occasions difficulties in making the permanent Streets aforesaid regular; And that in many instances, altho Your Petitioners are willing gratuitously to give the Soil under the Water on which those Streets of seventy feet Wide are to be made, Yet doubts are entertained, whether your Petitioners can compel any of the proprietors of the Lots fronting thereon and who may be unwilling, to make those Streets for public Use, in any given reasonable time to be appointed by the Common Council.

And Your Petitioners further shew that part of their plan aforesaid was to extend piers at right Angles from the said permanent Streets into the Rivers, at proper distances from each other to be determined by the Corporation with suitable Bridges for the Accommodation of Sea Vessels, and so constructed as to admit the Currents at both Ebb and Flood in both Rivers to wash away all Dirt and Filth from the Wha[r]ves and thereby render the health of the Inhabitants of the City more safe and secure: but Doubts have also arisen whether Your Petitioners can compel the individual proprietors of the Wharves to sink and lay out those piers; or if they shall refuse, whether Your Petitioners will be authorized to sink and build those piers at the Expence of the City and receive the Wharfage without incurring a Breach of the Conditions and Covenants contained in their Grants to Individuals.

And forasmuch as some adequate remedy [292] is essentially necessary in the premisses as well to secure the health of the Citizens as to effect Ornament and regularity in the Fronts of the City and convenience and safety to the Trade and Commerce thereof.

Your Petitioners pray that the Honorable the Legislature will confer such power and authority to your petitioners as shall be proper to remove the difficulties and Doubts above stated, or to make such other provision in the premises as to the Legislature shall seem meet.

[Seal] Sealed with the Common Seal of the said City Witness Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor, this 12th day of February 1798.

M^{r} Mayor having retired from the Common Council M^{r} Recorder took the Chair and then the two following reports of the auditing Committee on M^{r} Mayor's Accounts were presented read and agreed to by the Board, viz^{t}

The Auditing Committee report to the Common Council of the

City, That they have examined the Annual Account and vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor, for Market Fees received and paid by him from the fourth day of January to the 31st day of December 1796, inclusive; That the Mayor has received from Rinier Skaats and James Culbertson [including £49:4 paid by his permission or order, for sweeping & cleansing the Markets] the Sum of One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven Pounds ten shillings & eleven pence. That the Mayor has retained the one half of the lastmentioned Sum to his own use and has paid to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer, the Balance of Eight hundred & forty four Pounds eleven shillings and six Pence.

The Auditing Committee further report That they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor, for Monies received and paid by him for Licences granted to [293] Tavern Keepers, between the first day of March and the 31st day of December last; That he has received for 902 Licences the Sum of One thousand three hundred and fifty three pounds: That he has retained the one fifth part thereof, being £270:12 to his own use; That he has paid the like Sum to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk; That he has paid to George Forman for printing the Licences £11:5:0 That he has also paid to William W. Gilbert £20:6:0 as a Commission for receiving and paying three fifths parts of the said Sum of £1353, being £811:16 due to the Board, & that he has paid the Balance of Seven hundred & eighty pounds, five shillings to Mr Phœnix the City Treasurer; All which appears from the Accounts accompanying this Report.

New York Febv 15. 1797. Jacob DeLa Montagnie } Auditing
Thomas Storm } Committee

The Auditing Committee Report that they have examined the Annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor, for Market fees received and paid by him from the second day of January to the thirtieth day of December 1797, inclusive; That the Mayor has received from Hugh Gobel and James Culbertson Deputy Clerks of the Market [including £88:14 paid by his Order for Sweeping and cleansing the Markets] the Sum of One thousand eight hundred and forty Pounds and thirteen shillings; That the Mayor has retained the one half of the lastmentioned Sum to his own use; "& also the "further Sum of four hundred and fifteen Pounds sixteen shillings "allowed him by the Board on 2772 Tavern Licences at 3/ each, "granted in the Years 1793, 1794, 1795 & 1796" & has paid the Balance to Daniel Phœnix Esqr the City Treasurer.

The Committee further report that they have [294] also examined

the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor, for Monies received and paid by him for Licences granted to Tavern keepers from the first day of March to the twenty fifth day of December last, inclusive—That he has received for 1021 Licences the Sum of One thousand five hundred and thirty one Pounds, ten shillings. That he has retained three tenths thereof to his own use, That he has paid two tenth parts thereof to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk; That he has paid to George Forman thirteen Pounds four shillings for printing the Blanks; That he has also paid to William W. Gilbert Esquire £19:2:10 as a Commission for receiving & paying the one half of the said Sum of £1531:10 due to the Board; And that he has paid the Ballance of seven hundred & thirty three pounds eight shillings and two pence to Dan[l] Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer; All which appears from the Accounts accompanying this Report.
New York Feb[y] 12[th] 1798

Rich[d] Furman } Auditing
John Bogert. } Committee

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps.....	£95:13: 6
iss[d]	Steenbeck & Heckle for Repairs to a Well in Barley Street	£6:12: 6
iss[d]	David Marshall for superintends Potters field burying G[d]	£21:—:—
iss[d]	John Hoghland for Leather Caps for the Watchmen....	£6:12:—

[295] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday feb[y] 19[th] 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

John B Coles Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Theoph[s] Beekman Jotham Post	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Bogert Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Garret Harsen	Assist[ts]

A Petition of Isaac Man for payment of a quantity of Pine Logs procured on a Contract with the Corporation in the year 1775 for Pipes of the Works to lead Fresh Water through the streets; was read & referred to the Ald[n] of the 1[st] & 2[d] & the Assist[t] of the 4[th] Wards.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Roosevelt Street for an alteration in the Regulation of Chatham Street to lead the Water at the Tea Water Pump; was read & referred to the Street Committee.

On reading an application of George Gosman Ordered that he be permitted to make an Area & Vaults under the Street in front of a House he intends to build in Cortlandt Street & to lay Bricks in the Streets for the Building

An application of W^m^ Betts for a Road & landing place at Horns Hook Ferry to Long Island; was read & referred to the Road Committee.

[296] Ordered that the Company of the fire Engine N^o^ 15 at the City Hall take Charge of the new Engine imported from Phil^a^ & that the same be deposited in the Engine House at the City Hall and that the old Engine be removed thence to such place in the 7^th^ Ward as the Ald^n^ & Assist^t^ of the 7^th^ & the Assist^t^ of the 6^th^ Ward shall direct

Ordered that M^r^ Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^d^	James Culbertson for City Watch^n^	£139:13:—
iss^d^	Nich^s^ Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—
iss^d^	Bernard O Blenis Clk of Police Office for ball^ce^ of his Acc^t^	$31^{68}/_{100}$
iss^d^	Rinier Skaats Door Keeper & Messenger for 1 Q^r^ Services & Disbursem^ts^	£22:12:—

[297] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26^th^ day of feb^y^ 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^r^ Mayor

Gabriel Furman Anthony Post Theoph^s^ Beekman John B Coles Jotham Post	Esq^rs^ Ald^n^	John Bogert Garret Harsen Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn	Assist^t^

His Excellency the Governor with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esq^r^ to the Office of Mayor Jacob John Lansing Esq^r^ to the Office of Sheriff & Charles Dickenson Esq^r^ to the Office of Coroner of this City for the year ensuing; their several Commissions under the Great Seal of the State were read & published as usual & the Sheriff having produced his Bond which was approved by the Board & filed M^r^ Mayor, the Sherif & the Coroner respectively took the Oaths of Office prescribed by the Charter.

A Petition to the Legislature for a Law to make the Sum assessed on any Lot for the paving or digging out or filling in of any Street a Lien on such Lot to secure the payment of the Money so assessed; was read & [298] approved by the Board & it was ordered that the

Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that an Election be held at the City Hall in the second Ward on Tuesday the 6th March next of an Assessor in the stead of William Denning Esqr who is a Member of the Legislature.

Ordered that Mr Harsen set the Mud Drudge at Work in cleaning out the several Slips in this City commencing with Coenties Slip.

Ordered that the Clerk advertize for receiving Proposals to rent Bell Vue Hospital for one Year from the 1st April next; on Condition that if the whole or any part of the Buildings or Land should in the course of the Year be wanted as an Hospital or Lazaretto the same or such part thereof as may be required to be immediately surrendered up.

Ordered that Richard C Ham be appointed a Fire Man to Engine No 11 vice James Moore removed from this City

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£90:15: 8
issd	Henry Dawson for Taxes on the Ferry House at Brooklyn & for necessaries to the Committees.....	£33:14: 6
issd	Gilbert Van Mater for liquor for the Workmen on Repairs to the Wharf at Brooklyn.....	£2:16:—

[299] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of March 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Garret Harsen	Assists
Jotham Post		John Bogert	
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
Anthony Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman			

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to appoint Richard Harison Esqr to the Office of Recorder of this City, Mr Harison attended in his Seat & his Commission being read he took the Oath prescribed by the Charter

The Poll List of the Election held in the second Ward of an Assessor was read & Josiah Shippey appearing to have been duly elected, he attended & took the Oath of his Office.

A Letter from Dr Bayley the Health Officer on the subject of an

allowance beyond that granted by the Legislature to him for his extra Services in the Department of Commiss^{r} of the Health Office, was read the Consideration postponed 'till next Meeting.

[300] A Release of Augustus Van Cortlandt Esq^{r} to this Corporation of certain Ground for the purpose of widening Beaver Lane with a Condition or Agreem^{t} therein "that he shall be freed from any Expence that has or may hereafter accrue on account of finishing the said Street" was presented to the Board & read And the Board agreed to accept the said Release on the above Terms or Condition.

A Petition of Cortlandt Van Bueren & W^{m} G Miller "for liberty to incert private Drains into the Common Sewer of Broad Street to carry off the Water from the Yards of their respective Houses" was read And the B^{d} determined that this Priviledge extended only to the draining off the Water from Cellars & not from Yards and that their Request could not be granted: But that the Petitioners are at liberty to incert Drains into the Common Sewer under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward to drain the Bye Water from their respective Cellars

The Clerk presented to the Board. sealed Proposals from George Shonnard, Thomas Palmer & Charlotte Johnson for the farming of Belle Vue Hospital & Land And previous to the opening of them the Board determined that it should not be let for the purpose of keeping a public House

The proposals being opened it appeared that Shonnard offered £80 —Palmer £50 & Johnson £50. Whereupon it was ordered that they be referred to the Land Com^{tee} [301] to enquire into & if the said Persons intended to use it as a public House that the Committee should dispose of it in such manner as best to answer the Purposes for which the Place was purchased

Ordered that the Law for preventing Nuisances & cleaning the Streets be republished & to commence its operation on Friday next

Ordered that Ald^{n} Coles & G Furman & M^{r} Bogert be a Committee to confer with the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office whether further Measures can be devised on the Subject of Nuisances & cleaning the Streets.

The Committee for cancelling small change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the follow^{g} viz^{t}

8,700	of 1^{d}	£36: 5:—
8,000	2^{d}	66:13: 4
7,100	3^{d}	88:15:—
		£191:13: 4

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men to Engine N^{o} 10 viz^{t}

David Marsh. as foreman	Hazael Myer.
John Pell.	James Ryckman.
John Coutant.	Frederick Reaker.
Matthias Jorden.	John Clark.
Gilbert Coutant.	Joseph Graham.
Jacob Blanck.	John Andriese.
John Smith.	Matthew Goodman.
John Hilliken.	James M^{c}Evers.
John Vark.	Lewis Cox.
William Palmer.	Robert Wade
Samuel Hallet.	Nicholas Romaine Jun^{r}

[302] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^{d}	Joshua Barker for the Assessm^{t} on this Corporation for digging &c^{c} the Broad Way & Streets in the Vicinity..	£118:14: 2
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for subsist^{g} crim^{l} Prisoners in Gaol & empty^{g} necess^{y} Tubs from 20th July 1797 to 21st Jan^{y} 1798	£404: 4:10
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch.....	£139:13:—
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like.....	£139:13:—
iss^{d}	Henry Rutgers for Surveyors Fees on late Improvem^{t} John Street	£4: 8:—
iss^{d}	Jacob Clinch Clerk of late Election of Assessor 2^{d} W^{d}..	£0:16:—
iss^{d}	George Hoppell for deepening & cleaning a Well behind Trin. Church	£8:11:—

[303] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of March 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

John B Coles Anthony Post Gabriel Furman Theoph^{s} Beekman Jotham Post Rich^{d} Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garret Harsen John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Nich^{s} Carmer	Assist^{s}

Ordered that a Letter, constituting Rich^{d} Harison Esq^{r} Attorney & Council of this Corporation, be made & that the Common Seal be affixed thereto.

On the Application of D^{r} Bayley the Health Officer Ordered that he be permitted to occupy the small Corner Lot at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets near the Battery for the Residence of his Boatman during the Pleasure of this B^{d}

Ordered that a notification be published in the News Papers recommending it to the Proprietors of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & Catharine Slip to make the new Street of 70 feet Wide called South Street by the first day of January next

[304] An Ordinance was passed requiring the Owners & Occupants of Water Lots between Whitehall & Catharine Slips to cause them to be so filled up & raised with wholesome Earth as that *that* the Water will run off freely into the Street or River by the first day of July next under the penalty of one hundred Dollars for each Lot

Also for the raising & filling in like manner certain sunken Lots in the sixth Ward by the same day under the like penalty.

The Health Commissrs having proposed certain Amendments to the Law for preventing Nuisances, the Board proceeded to revise & amend the same and the said Ordinance as amended was passed by the Board & ordered to be published in the News Papers.

On a suggestion that the Road from the Bridge across Harlem River towards this City would be very much improved if it was continued on a strait Line from the School House at Harlem through the Lands of Sampson Benson across the Mill Creek 'till it meets the Post Road between the six & seven Mile Stones, It was ordered that the Land Committee confer with Mr Benson & others proprietors of the Land through which the Road will pass & report the Result to the Board.

[305] An application of Colo Morton for a renewal of a Lease of certain of the Common Lands at the Dove Tavern near the five Mile Stone or to make an Assignment of the Term unexpired of his present Lease & to sell the Improvements to this Bd was read & rejected.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct	£400:—:—
issd	Martin Morrison for so much assessed on the Corporation for digging out &c Crown Point St	£75: 1: 7
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£98: 5: 4
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139:13:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—
issd	Latham Bunker for lamp Oil	£697: 6: 4
issd	Adolph Bussing for removg a Pauper	£2:—:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	£3:10:—

[306] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of April 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
John B Coles
Anthony Post
Richd Furman
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Anthony Brown
John Bogert

The Commissioners of the Health Office by Letter of this day represent to this Bd that if [the] Government should proceed to compleat the Fortifications on Bedlows Island & more especially if Troops should be placed there in the course of the ensuing Summer it will in their Opinion become improper to continue the Lazaretto there And therefore request to know whether this Bd will indulge them with the use of Belle Vue which appears to them to be the only proper Place they at present know of to accommodate the Sick from Sea & such from the City as may be attacked with pestilential or infectious disorders during the ensuing Summer. Whereupon this Bd do determine that the said Commissioners may have the use of Belle Vue for the purpose aforesaid.

[307] The Commissioners in the same Letter also represent that the Common Sewer of Broad Street is in a disagreeable State & will become very offensive in the Summer; Ordered that this Subject be refer[red]: to the Aldn of the 1st & 2d & the Assist of the 2d Wds to examine & take Order thereon.

A Petition of Messrs Pearsall, Bowne & Stillwell was read proposing to open a Road through their Land at Blooming Dale to the Commons & pray[ing] that it may be continued through the Commons And the Board determined that on the Petitioners laying out a Road of sixty feet in breadth through their Land this Bd will continue it through the Common Lands.

A Petition of the English Lutheran Church to purchase or Lease the Piece of Ground on Magizine Street whereon the old Powder House formerly stood was read & rejected.

Ordered that William Sharp be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 23 vice John T Campbell resigned.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 7th Ward direct the Building of a House for the Engine lately appropriated for the 7th Ward in such proper place as they can procure.

[308] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk in the Police Office for ballce of his Acct	$35 89/100
issd	Hopkins & Co for printg	£3:—:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139:13:—
	The same for Disbursemts	10: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£139:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3d day of April 1798

Present/ the same as Yesterday

Pursuant to the Statutes for regulating Elections the Board proceed to elect Inspectors for the ensuing Election to be held on the last Tuesday of April Instant & the following Persons were duly elected viz

1st Ward	Jacob Morton Andrew Morris Rynier Suydam	2d Wd	William Neilson Samuel Boyd Solomon Simpson
3d Wd	John Cozine William Bowne Philip Brasher	4th Wd	Robert Dale Jacob Le Roy James Warner
5th Wd	William Rhinelander Archibald Kerly Leonard Fisher	6th Wd	John Tabele John Crolius Junr David Heckle
7th Wd	Jacamiah Ackerly David Deas Samuel Stilwell		

Ordered that the Road Committee direct the Superintendants to commence working on the Roads as soon as the State of the Ground will permit.

[309] issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Brockholst Livingston in full for Rent of Belle Vue to 1st May next £180:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th April 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert	Assists
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
Anthony Post		Garrit Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
Richard Furman		Anthony Brown	
John B Coles		Thomas Storm	

A Release under the Seal of the Corporation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this City of certain of their Lands laid out for public Streets in the 6th Ward was presented to the Board & deposited with the Clerk with orders to get it proved & recorded.

Ordered that the Treasurer provide for the payment of Brockholst Livingston the consideration Money vizt £1800 for Belle Vue.

[310] This Board having agreed that the Society of Machanicks &c might extend the Line on the South side of their Piece of Ground (situate at the head of Chatham Square in the sixth Ward) about seven feet farther south as the same is now in their Possession, a Release of the same was presented & approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & delivered on their Releasing to this Board the triangular Piece of their said Ground whereon the Watch House is now erected

Ordered that the Street in front of the Bridewell & where the Alms House formerly stood be assigned as a Place for exposing Horses for sale at public Auction And that an Ordinance be prepared prohibiting the same in any other place in this City except in the seventh Ward.

Ordered that the Clk publish in the news Papers that all Persons appointed to the Office of Measurers of Grain in this City who are now in the actual exercise of that business do without delay report their Names with the Date of their respective Appointments into the City Clerk's Office in the City Hall and that all such as neglect will be considered as having relinquished the Business.

A Petition for paving Chambers, Reade Barley, Church & Chappel Streets was read & referred to the Street Committee

[311] In pursuance to the Statute entitled " An Act concerning the Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace and the Goal for Offenders in & for the City and County of New York " passed 2d March last, The

Board proceeded to the appointment of "A Keeper of the Bridewell in the City of New York" and Peter Cole was appointed accordingly.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Division Street from George Street to Rutgers Street was read and ratified by the Board and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Henry Hulsart Thomas T Stagg & Abraham Stagg to pave the said Streets.

An Ordinance for paving Dey Street was read & passed by the Board.

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of a proper allowance to the Health Officers & the Commissioners of the Health Office and it was determined that the Health Officer be allowed for the two Years last past One thousand Dollars.

And the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office viz^{t} John Oothout, Jacob Abramse & Ezekiel Robins seven hundred & fifty Dollars to be divided among them for the last Year.

iss^{d} Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} for paym^{t} thereof accord^{gly}

[312] Ordered that Thomas Cornell be appointed a Fire Man to N^{o} 15 vice Thomas Parcells resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Gerrit Harsen on Acc^{t}	£200:—:—
iss^{d}	Ald^{n} De La Montagnie for Copies of State Laws	5^{75}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch	£139:13:—
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£139:13:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 19th April 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}: Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Theoph^{s} Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie

Assist^{ts}: John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn, Nich^{s} Carmer, Anth^{o} Brown, Tho^{s} Storm, Philip J Arcularius, Garret Harsen

In pursuance of the Statute passed last Session of the Legislature entitled "an Act concerning certain Streets Wharfs & Piers And the Alms House & Bridewell in the City of New York" the Board [313] proceeded to the Consideration of the number of Persons to be ap-

pointed Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell and it was determined that the number to be appointed be five. And that the appointment of them be postponed until next Monday.

The Business of regulating & superintending the Streets being so very much encreased as to become too burthensome & requiring more time & Service than a Committee of this Board can be expected to bestow on that Service And it being considered that the Business would be more effectually executed & performed by permanent Commissrs to be appointed by this Board it was determined that two Commissrs be appointed to take the Charge & Superintendance of the Street Department and that the appointment of them be also postponed 'till next Monday

An Ordinance was passed for paving Burling Slip Street from the present pavement to Bulkhead at the River the side Walk on the West side of the said Slip from Elias Nexens House to the River—Front Street from Burling Slip to Pecks Slip and the Streets on [314] *on* each side of Pecks Slip from the present pavement to the South side of Front Street.

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday April 23d 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post	Esqrs Alds	Thomas Storm	Assists
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	
Richard Furman		Garret Harsen	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Theophs Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	

A Memorial subscribed by William Neilson, Ebenezer Stevens & John Delafield as a Committee of the Chamber of Commerce representing the defenceless State of this City against the Attacks of a few inferior Vessels of War & praying an indemnification of this Board to the amount of about 40,000 Dollars for defraying the expence of providing & mounting on field Carriages 18 or 20 heavy Cannon was read & the consideration postponed 'till next Meeting of the Board.

[315] A Release of Brockholst Livingston for the Belle Vue Farm was approved by the Board And it was ordered that on his executing it & getting it proved to be recorded and delivering up the old Title

Deeds Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay him the Consideration Money £1800.

A Release by Nicholas Gouverneur Lewis Ogden Peter Ogilvie, George Janeway, & Nicholas Low of a certain Street at Corlears Hook was read & accepted by the Board And it was ordered that the said Street be called Gouverneur Street.

A Petition complaining of an Encroachment on 4th Street in the 7th Ward was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward to enquire into & to report on.

A Petition complaining of a sunken Pond near Lispenard read & referred to the Street Committee.

Ordered that Samuel Franklin be permitted to sink a Cistern in the Street at his House in Water Street in the 5th Ward under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	David Marshall for attendg Potters field Burying Gd....	£21:—:—
issd	Isaac Hicks for lamp Oil.....	$2394 66/100

[316] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 30th 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman, Jotham Post, John B Coles, Anthony Post, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Richard Furman

Assistts: John Bogert, Philip J Arcularius, Anthony Brown, Garret Harsen, Mangel Minthorn, Thomas Storm

Be it ordained that the following Bye Laws or Ordinances for the good Rule and Government of this City be continued & to be in force for one Year vizt

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords Day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the paving and keeping in Repair and to prevent Obstructions in the Streets in the City of New York"

[317] "A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale & cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs & in the Slips of the City of New York & to establish the Rates of Wharfage."

"A Law to regulate the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York."

[318] "A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within the limits & jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Horses going loose or at large in the Streets of the City of New York

"A Law to prevent Goats going at large in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Horses in the City of New York"

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Memorial of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce presented & read at the last Meetg And it was thereupon Resolved that His Excellency the Governor be requested on behalf of this Board to make an Application to the President of the United States for sixteen long eighteen Pounders of those now at West Point mounted upon travelling Carriages or as many of them as can be spared with the proper Apparatus & Ammunition to be used in the Defence of this City, if necessary, until other competent Provision shall be made for that purpose either by the

United States or the Legislature of this State And that this Board will be answerable for the said Cannon Apparatus & Ammunition whenever they may be called upon to return the same.

[319] Resolved also that this Board will make Provision for supplying the said Cannon with every Article that may be necessary to render them fit for service and that in case that number cannot be had upon the said Application this Board will take the requisite Measures for procuring them as soon as may be possible in perfect confidence that the United States or the Legislature of this State will reimburse every reasonable Expence that may be incurred in providing for the Defence of this important Part of the Union.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to transmit certified Copies of the aforegoing Resolutions & of the said Memorial to His Excellency the Governor.

iss[d] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasr to pay Colo Ebenr Stevens $1000, on Acct towards providing proper Timber for Carriages & other Apparatus for the said Carriages in case the same should be necessary

A Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in little Catharine Street for leave to dig out the said Street under the Direction of the Surveyors; was read & granted.

A Petition of certain indigent refugees from St Domingo for Relief was read & referred to Richard Lawrence to enquire into & report a State of their Situation

[320] A request of Thomas Smith for permission to fix a Box for storing Salt on the Walk in the Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that Mr John Rogers may have the use of the Bowling Green in front of the Govt House on condition that he keep it in good Order & suffer no Creatures to run in it.

On a request of the fire Company of Engine No 15 for an additional number of Men Ordered that they be allowed an additional number not exceedg Six.

The Board, pursuant to the Statute in such case made & provided, proceeded to nominate & appoint Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell and the followg Persons vizt William Hardenbrook—William De Peyster Willet Seaman—Elijah Cock & Richard Lawrence were duly nominated & appointed accordingly.

And Isaac Stoutenburgh & Richard Furman were appointed to manage the Street Business under this Board.

Ordered that Aldn Furman, Beekman & DelaMontagnie be a Committee to report a Reform for the Alms House—to confer with

the Commiss[rs] as to the best Mode of subsisting the crim[l] Prisoners in Bridewell, and to strengthen the Doors of the Bridewell And also to direct [321] a Survey to be made of the Ground which it will be proper to assign as Liberties of the Gaol.

Ordered that M[r] Harsen procure Stone to secure the outside of the Battery & to employ Persons to collect those lying on the South side.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Gerrit Harsen on Acc[t]	£200:—:—
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£139:13:—
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£139:13:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£95:16: 2
iss[d]	Sam[l] Loudon for printing	£1:15:—
iss[d]	Provo & Smith for clean[g] a Well	£2:12:—
iss[d]	Clerks of Election	$104

City of New York } ss. At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen on Tuesday May 1[st] 1798

The follow[g] Persons were appointed Overseers of the public Wells & Pumps in the several Wards of this City viz[t]

1[st] W[d] Gabriel Furman & Thomas Storm
2[d] d[o] John B Coles & Garret Harsen.
3[d] d[o] Theoph[s] Beekman & Nicholas Carmer
4[th] d[o] Anthony Post & John Bogert
5[th] d[o] Jotham Post & Philip J Arcularius
6[th] d[o] Jacob De la Montagnie & Anthony Brown
7[th] d[o] Rich[d] Furman & Mangle Minthorn

[322] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday May 7[th] 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Jacob De laMontagnie, John B Coles, Anthony Post, Richard Furman

Assists: John Bogert, Garret Harsen, Philip J Arcularius, Anthony Brown, Mangle Minthorn

The Mayor Recorder & other Members being returned from visiting & examining the State & situation of the several Wards in the Bridewell & Alms House.

The Committee of Acc[ts] reported that they had examined & audited

the Acc^{ts} of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right. viz^{t}

Those of the Alms House for the last Quarter amount^{g} to..... £3316:13:11¼
Those of the Bridewell..... 475:14: 8½

An Estimate of the Commiss^{rs} for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved by the B^{d} viz^{t}

For the Alms House..... £3400
For the Bridewell..... 600

iss^{d} Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treas^{r} for paym^{t} thereof accordingly

[323] On reading a Letter from the Commiss^{rs} of the Health Office.

An Ord^{ce} was passed for filling up & raising Theetre Alley by the 15th June under the Penalty of $100 for each Lot

The like for an Alley running from Warren Street to Chambers Street by the first June. Penalty $50 each Lot

The like for filling & raising the Water Lots of Thomas Marston. by the first of July—Penalty $250 each Lot

The like for the Water Lots of Rob^{t} Bowne & Tho^{s} Eddy by the first June Penalty $100 each Lot

The like for an Alley commonly called Waltons Alley leading from Water Street towards the River between Pecks Slip & Dover Street by the fifteenth June—Penalty $100.

Ordinances were also passed for paving the follow^{g} Streets viz^{t}

Augustus Street from Tryon Row to Magazine Street.

Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River.

Water Street from James Slip to Catharine Slip.

George Street from Division Street to the River.

Ordered that M^{r} Harsen take Order for making a Bulkhead across Catharine Slip on a range with the south side of Water Street on the side of the s^{d} Slip.

[324] Ordered that Carlisle Pollock & Coll M^{c}Gregor be permitted to pave Carlisle Street agreable to the Regulation thereof without an Estimate & Assessm^{t} being made.

On a Report of Richard Lawrence on the Petition of certain indigent Refugees from S^{t} Domingo, it was ordered that they should be permitted to come into & be provided for in the Alms House.

Ordered that John P Anthony & Peter Hageman be appointed firemen to Engine N^{o} 12 vice Anthony Franklin & Henry Aubic resigned

And Bernard Rapalye, Alex[r] Sanders & David Wagstaff to N[o] 9 vice Ab[m] Bond Henry Bancker & Tho[s] Bushfield resigned

Ordered that two additional firemen be allowed to Engine N[o] 15.

Ordered that William Allen be permitted to occupy the Gun Powder Magazine during the Pleasure of this Board on such Rent as the B[d] shall deem reasonable

Ordered that the Committee on Repairs take order for making Cells for the confinement of disorderly Persons in the Alms House.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issd	The Commiss[n] of the Health Office on Acc[t]	$1000
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to Pumps	£93: 3: 1
issd	[325] Peter Cole for convey[g] Vagrants to Bridewell	£8:13:—
issd	James Wood for repair[g] Lamps	£19: 7:10
issd	Rob[t] Valentine for erecting a fire Engine House	£12:—:—
issd	The Justices of £10 Court	$456

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14[th] May 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Theoph[s] Beekman, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Anthony Post, John B Coles, Jacob De laMontagnie } Esq[rs] Ald[n]

John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Brown, Garret Harsen, Tho[s] Storm, Philip J Arcularius } Assist[s]

A Letter from His Excellency the Gov[r] to M[r] Mayor on the subject of Cannon to defend this City was read & filed.

On reading a Petition of Samuel Doughty This B[d] do approve of his Lumber Yard at the lower end of Murray Street & adjoining Hudsons River as a proper Place for storing Shingles & do appoint that Place for the said purpose accordingly

[326] Ordered that an Election be held in the 5[th] Ward at the friends Meeting House on Monday the 21[st] Instant of an Assessor in the place of Andrew Mercein removed from the City.

Ordered that Stephen Allen & Mich[l] Parker be permitted to plant Trees in front of their Houses in Rutgers Street under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the Ward.

Joseph Corré is permitted to make a Gate to the fence of the Battery in State Street opposite to his Garden, leaving the one in front of his House to remain

Ordered that the Proprietors of the Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the old Slip be & they are hereby respectively notified & required without delay to fill in their respective Water Lots & to compleat the Wharfs agreable to the Conditions contained in the Grants thereof from the Corporation of this City and in case of refusal or neglect this Board will proceed against them on the Covenants & Conditions in their respective Grants contained

On an Application of Colo Ebenezer Stevens & Peter Schermerhorne to lay & frame the Timber (for buildings they intend to erect in front Street) in the Street in front of Beekmans Slip, The Question was raised & put [327] Whether it would be proper to permit the laying or framing of Timber by individuals in the Streets in front of any of the public Slips; and it was carried in the Negative.

On an Application of Messrs Van Horn & Clarkson to alter the Line of the front of the Lots bounded on the West side of the Broad Way & lying between the House of Dominick Lynch & Beaver Lane; the Board proceeded to view the Premisses And thereupon

Ordered that the Line of the front of the Lots on the Broad Way between the House of Dominick Lynch & Beaver Lane be as follows vizt

Beginning at the Brick Work of the front of the said House of Dominick Lynch & running thence on a direct Line to a perpendicular Point two feet nine Inches from the Brick Work of the front of the House on the south Corner of the Broad Way & Beaver Lane

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Mary Martin an indigent Widow	£4:—:—
issd	Thomas Hazard for subsistg criml Prisoners in Goal	£326:15: 8
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmn	£77:10: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£77:10: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£64:17: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£63: 4: 6
issd	Isaac Hicks for Lamp Oil	£1026:17:—
issd	John Van Alst for repairg Pumps	£9:17:—
issd	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps	£12: 6:—
issd	Provo & Smith for cleang Wells	£18:16: 8

[328] A Memorial of Wm Nielson for compensation for the expence of removing Earth from his Land to fill up a low place in the Bowery Lane at the two Mile Stone was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

additional Members to Engine N° 15.	Elias Brevoort 3d Wd Merchant James Stevenson 3d Do Blacksmith David Dunham 1st Wd Merchant William Castle 1st Do Grocer William Weyman 3d do Salesman Thomas Benneth 3d do Cabt maker
Engine N° 15 also	John Borris 1st Wd Innholder vice John T Barrow removed for neglect of Duty. James Baxter 4th Wd Coachmaker vice Adam Milderberger resigned
N° 19.	Robert Seaman vice Thomas Johnson
	Gerrit Neaffie 6th Wd Cartman vice
N° 14.	Peter Lawrence removed for neglect of Duty

[329] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of May 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post
Jotham Post
Gabriel Furman
John B Coles
Richard Furman
Theophs Beekman
Jacob De LaMontagnie } Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert
Garret Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown } Assistts

On a Return of the Poll List of the Election in the 5th Ward of an Assessor vice Andrew Mercien removed from this City it appeared that John P. Ritter was duly elected who attended & took & subscribed the Oath by Law prescribed & directed.

Ordered that Joseph Outenbogert be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 19 vice Cornelius Tier decd

And William Wellings & Aaron Place to N° 10 vice Henry Hanshe & John Clark.

Ordered that the Watchmen placed at the Govt House be removed to some other place & that the Watchman at the late State Treasurers be removed to the Mouth of the Sewer in Broad Street

[330] Ordered that the Captains of the City Watch make Returns to this Board of the Stands of the several Watchmen placed as Centinels in this City.

On reading a Request of Brothers Coster & Co Ordered that they be permitted to take up William Street from their House N° 26 & to make a Common Drain of Brick or Stone to take the Water,

from the Cellars, from thence to the Drain in Beaver Street on condition that they again put the S[t] in good Order And that they be authorized to demand & receive from the other Proprietors of the Houses & Lots in the Street who shall use or take the benefit of the said Drain their respective proportions of the Expence attending the same.

Ordered that M[r] Harsen take order for paving a breadth of four feet from Greenwich Street to the new Albany Bason on a range with the south side of Cedar Street

On a Representation from the Neighborhood that Cortlandt Slip is so filled up at it's head as to become a receptacle for filth & Dirt and a common Nuisance

Ordered that a Bulkhead be made across the said Slip at the West range of Washington Street at the public Expence [331] provided the neighborhood will at their Expence fill up the s[d] Slip with good wholesome Earth to a proper heighth.

On the Request of the Society of Friends Ordered that they be permitted to strew Bark in Pearl Street opposite their Meeting House to prevent interruption from the Noise of Carriages during their General Meeting; on Condition that they afterwards remove it & clean the Street.

The Hay Scale in front of the new Albany Bason having become unnecessary at that place.

Ordered that it be immediately removed.

On a suggestion that some Person has unwarrantably sunk a Wharf at Corlaers Hook at the Place contemplated to be reserved as a public Bason or Slip Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] enquire into the matter & report to the Board.

Ordered that Ald[n] G Furman & Mess[rs] Arcularius & Bogert be a Committee to enquire into the State of the public fire Buckets & report to the Board.

[332] Ordered that Ald[n] DeLaMontagnie Coles & G Furman be a Committee to enquire into the subject & report to the B[d] on the expediency of lighting the public Lamps by Contract

On reading a second Petition from certain indigent french families from S[t] Domingo, the Board determined that they be allowed at the rate of one Dollar per Week for each of the eight families,

iss[d] And that M[r] Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treas[r] to pay Richard Lawrence $100 on Acc[t] to be applied towards their Relief according to the number & circumstances of each family.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Gerrit Harsen on Acct.....	£300:—:—
issd	Gœrick & Mangin on Acct of their Contract to make a Survey & plan of the City.....	$500
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary.....	£20:—:—
issd	& Disbursements	3: 4: 6
issd	John J Roome Clk of an Election.....	£0:16:—
issd	George Furman for paintg a fire Engine House.....	£4:19:10½
issd	Samuel Wigten for lamp Oil.....	£158:17: 6
issd	Thomas Jenkins & Sons for the like.....	£720:17:10
issd	Willson Rawson for the like.....	£457:12: 6

[333] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of May 1798

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post		John Bogert
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown
Gabriel Furman		Thomas Storm
Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen
Richd Furman		Nichs Carmer
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius
		Assistts

On a reconsideration of the Order of the last Meeting for filling up Cortlandt Slip to the West side of Washington Street it was suspended 'till the further Order of the Board And in the mean time that the Proprietors on each side be required to repair the Piers on each side of the Slip.

The Clerk reported a Draft of Instructions for the Commissioners of Streets & Roads; which were read & referred to Aldn G. Furman & A Post & Mr Storm

A Petition of Ebenr S. Burling & others to plant Trees in Rutgers Street was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

A Petition for digging out Bedlow & Henry Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

[334] A Petition of George Caspar Schroeppel was read And thereupon the Board determined that he be permitted (as far as this Board are concerned in the Premisses) to run out a Wharf of thirty feet in breadth into Hudsons River in front of his Land for the convenience of landing Bark & other Articles for his Tannery during the pleasure of the Board.

Ordered that Philander Brasher be permitted to make an Area to her House in Beekman Street

The Committee on small Change Notes reported that they had burn't to ashes the follow[g]s viz[t]

9400	of 3[d]	£117:10:—
8000	of 2[d]	66:13: 4
7000	of 1[d]	29: 3: 4
		£213: 6: 8

On a Return made by the Cap[ts] of the City Watch, it was ordered that the Watchman removed from the Gov[t] House be stationed in Cliff Street and that one of those stationed at the two Banks be stationed at the Oswego Market to patrole down Maiden Lane.

A Petition of Anthony L Bleecker & others for aid & permission to sink a Well in the Broad Way nearly two Miles from the City Hall was read And it was determined by the Board that as the Inhabitants there were not taxed for Wells & Pumps [335] this Board could not grant any aid towards the sinking of a Well there but at the same time the neighborhood might sink a Well in such place as the Ald[n] & Assist. of the W[d] should assign.

Several Estimates for making a Bulkhead across Catharine Slip were presented to the Board And that of Robert Valentine was accepted viz[t] the Bulkhead to be 80 feet long & 15 feet broad at Bottom & 10 feet at the Top at the rate of £3:17 P[r] foot with six Piles on the outside if it should be thought necessary for £14:8:—

A Letter from the Health Commiss[rs] on the subject of filling up James's Slip, with Petitions for & against the Measure were read And the Board determined it inexpedient at present to fill up that Slip and directed M[r] Harsen to employ the Mud Drudge in cleaning it out as soon as possible

Ordered that Ald[n] Coles & G Furman & M[r] Bogert be a Committee in conjunction with Col[o] Stevens to attend to the Measures that have already been taken or which it may be proper to take for the Defence of the City & Harbor of New York & to report thereupon to this Board as occasion may require.

[336] Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

issued	Peter Cole for taking Fish this season for the use of the Alms House &[c]	£20:—:—
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Tho[s] W Eagles for repair[g] Lamps	£20: 5:—
iss[d]	Provo & Smith for clean[g] a Well	£5:16:—
iss[d]	Peter Cole for light[g] Lamps	£82:10: 7
iss[d]	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquest on dead bodies.	£46:10:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of June 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert	Assistts
John B Coles		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Anthony Post		Garret Harsen	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Thomas Storm	

A Petition for a Regulation of upper Read Street was read and referred to the Street Commissrs

[337] A Memorial of Wm Denning & others praying a supension of the Ordinance for paving Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the River as far as respects the Walk on the South side & the paving of the said Street from Washington Street to the River was read & granted: On the express condition that the Proprietors of the Lots will without delay cause that part of the Street (the paving whereof is suspended for the present) to be filled up agreable to the Regulation & put in Order for paving

On reading a Letter from the Treasr

Ordered that he demand an immediate settlement with the Collectors of the 4th & 7th Wards & payment of the Ballances due from them respectively or in case of neglect or refusal that he proceed against them as the Law directs. And in the mean time if the necessities of the Alms House should require it that he negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York for that purpose for a Sum not exceeding $2000.

Ordered that Nathl L Sturges be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 5 vice James Hubberd decd

Ordered that the Street Commissr return the Names of the Owners & Occupants of the sunken Lots between Thomas & Magazine Streets, that an Ordinance be passed for filling them up

[338] Estimates & Assessments for paving the followg Streets were respectively read and ratified by the Bd vizt Chambers Street from the highest Ground opposite the Alms House Gate to the West side of Washington Street—Reade Street from the Broad Way to the East side of Washington Street—Barley Street from the Broad Way to the West side of Church Street—Church Street from the north side of Barley Street to the Pavement at the south side of Chambers Street —Chappel Street from the north side of Barley Street to the Pavement at the south side of Chambers Street—Greenwich Street from the Pavement at the south side of Reade Street to Provoost Street—And

Broad Way from the Pavement at the south side of Murray Street to the north side of Scott L Clarks House & Lot.

Ordered that Henry Verveelen be appointed to collect the Monies on the said Assessments And that Arthur Smith, Thos Whytlaw & George Walton be appointed to pave all the said Streets except Broad Way And that the same Persons together with John Moore & George Gosman be appointed to pave the Broad Way

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Cornl Cooper for White Wash Brushes.....	£0:16:—
issd	Latham Bunker for lamp Oil.....	£218: 4: 9
issd	Robt Hunter for expences at his Hs on canvassg Votes for Members of Assembly.....	£17:—:—

[339] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 13th June 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Anthony Post, Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Richard Furman, Jacob De La Montagnie, John B Coles

Assistts: John Bogert, Garret Harsen, Nichs Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius

Mr Recorder informed the Board that Capt Henry King Master of the Brigt Polaski from Cape Nichola Mole had landed 22 Passengers contrary to Law; & suggested to the Board whether Measures ought not to be taken to enforce the Law in this Case Whereupon the Board directed that James Culbertson commence a Suit against the said Master at the risque of this Board.

Messrs John Broome & Paschal N Smith attended the Board & presented the following written Application vizt " City of New York ss. At a joint Meeting of the several Committees followg viz. One from the Officers of the late Army & Navy of the United States, one from the Chamber of Commerce and one from each Ward of the City of New York [340] held pursuant to public notice at the City Hall of the said City on Friday the 8th day of June 1798.

Matthew Clarkson Esqr Chairman

Resolved that an Application be made to the Corporation of this City, to interpose their Credit for obtaining a Loan of fifty thousand Dollars to be applied toward the Defence of this Port and City, in confidence that the same will be reimbursed by the General Goverment, or provided for by the Legislature of this State, and that Messrs

Paschal N Smith John Broome and Moses Rogers be a Committee to make the said Application.

A true Copy—Ja[s] Fairlie Sec[ry]."

Whereupon the Board immediately proceeded to the Consideration of the subject Matter of the said Application and the following Resolutions were moved to be adopted by the Board viz[t]

Resolved that this Board will provide a Sum not exceeding fifty thousand Dollars to be applied towards the Defence of this Port & City And that an Application shall be made to Congress and, if necessary, to our State Legislature for the Reimbursement thereof

Resolved that Ald[n] Coles & G. Furman & M[r] Bogert be a Committee of this B[d] [341] to superintend & direct the expenditure of the said Sum in conjunction with such Persons as may be appointed by the several Committees mentioned in the said Application, and that they report from time to time as to the expenditure of the said Money and as to any further Measures that may be requisite for the important Purpose mentioned in the said Application

Resolved that the Sum of One thousand Dollars already advanced for the aforesaid Purpose be considered as part of the said fifty thousand Dollars.

On reading the 2[d] of the said Resolutions Ald[n] De La Montagnie moved to strike out the Words "in conjunction with such Persons as may be appointed by the several Committees mentioned in the said Application" and on the Question being put on the said Motion it passed in the Negative as follows viz[t]

Negative	Affirmative
Ald[n] Coles	Ald[n] De laMontagnie
Ald[n] J Post	M[r] Arcularius
Ald[n] A Post	M[r] Minthorn
Ald[n] G Furman	
Ald[n] R Furman	
M[r] Bogert	
M[r] Harsen	
M[r] Carmer	

[342] The Question was then put whether the Board do agree to said Resolutions and it passed in the Affirmative as follows viz[t]

Affirmative	Negative
Ald[n] Coles	Ald[n] De laMontagnie
Ald[n] J Post	M[r] Arcularius
Ald[n] A Post	M[r] Minthorn
Ald[n] G Furman	
Ald[n] R Furman	
M[r] Bogert	
M[r] Harsen	
M[r] Carmer	

The Committee to whom was referred the Complaint of Peter Schermerhorne & others against a Store House occupied by Moses Ward at Pecks Slip, part of which obstructs Front Street; Reported that they had conversed with M^r Ward on the subject of removing so much of the said Store House as may be necessary and that he signified his willingness to remove so much of the said Store as may be required provided this Board will be at the expence of it & of putting the residue of the Building in good Order & Repair, to give him a new Lease of the Lot for 21 Years at the present Rent thereof And also to pay him £350 for his Damages. The Committee are of Opinion that if this B^d be at the expence of removing such part of the said Store House as aforesaid & putting the Residue in good Order and also to grant him a new Lease for 21 Years [343] at the present Rent [it] will be sufficient which Opinion of the Committee was agreed to & adopted by the Board

The Committee on the Duties of the Street Commissioners as reported by the Clerk reported that they had revised the same and made some additions thereto; which was read & agreed to by the Board as follows viz^t

To enquire into the subject of all Applications to the Board for the Regulating, Paving or other wise improving of Streets Roads or Wharfs and to report to the Board the particular State of the circumstance of each Case and if necessary a Survey or Plan of the Improvement necessary

To attend to the due execution of all Ordinances or Orders of the Common Council for the regulating, digging, filling, paving or repairing of Streets or Roads And to direct the Prosecution of Offenders against the Laws relative to Streets and particularly Persons guilty of Intrusion or Encroachment on the public Streets or Roads.

To take the general Charge of viewing and determining from time to time whether any and what Improvement or Repairs are necessary & can be made to any of the Streets or Roads & to report the same to the Board together with the best mode of doing the same. [344] And to attend to & direct such Matters &Things as are particularly committed to the Ald^n & Assist of each Ward viz^t To direct the repairs of Streets or Walks and to see that the Gutters are bottomed with hard Brick or cut Stone.

To order the removal of all Lumber or other Things with which any of the Streets or Wharfs may be incumbered under the like Penalties as if directed by the Ald^n & Assist of the Ward And to attend

to the Surveying of Lots about to be built and to prevent encroachments on the Streets.

Estimates & Assessments for paving Front Street from Beekman Slip to Pecks Slip, were read & ratified by the Board & Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart & Thomas J Stagg & Ab^{m} Stagg to pave the s^{d} Street

The like for paving George Street from Division Street to Cherry Street and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and James Sharrock to pave the said Street

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men. viz^{t}

To Engine N^{o} 15 Joseph Lyon vice Josiah Furman dec^{d}—Jacob Varian vice John Odell resigned—Henry Lock vice W^{m} Wright resigned & Christian Herttell an additional Member

N^{o} 21 Gideon Kimberly vice Ezekiel Robins resigned & Brigham Howe vice Stephen Stillwell resign'd and to Hook & Ladder N^{o} 3 W^{m} Starling vice George Hillegar removed.

[345] The Street Commissioner reported the Names of the Owners of the sunken Lots between Thomas Street & Magazine Street as follows viz^{t}

George Janeway N^{o} 56, 57, 59, 60, 62 64, 65 & 70
The Heirs of John Byvanck dec^{d} N^{o} 58
The Heirs of Ab^{m} Byvanck dec^{d} N^{o} 61 & 63
Garret B Abeel N^{o} 66.
Garrit B Abeel, James C Roosevelt & George Codwise } N^{o} 67, 68 & 69.

Whereupon an Ordinance was passed by the Board for filling up the said Lots by the 15th July next under the Penalty of $100 Dollars each Lot

An Ordinance for digging out Bedlow Street from Catharine Street to George Street and Henry Street from Charlotte Street to East Rutgers Street was read & passed by the B^{d}

On the Application of Ab^{m} Herring one of the Managers of the late Lottery for the new Alms House Ordered that the Clerk deliver up to the said Managers their Bonds exécuted for the faithful execution of that Business

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	Tho^{s} Nixon for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	£1:12:—
iss^{d}	Provo & Smith for clean^{g} Wells.....	£8: 5: 8
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6

issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£77:10: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£77:10: 6

[346] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th June 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman Jacob De La Montagnie Anthony Post Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Mangel Minthorn Garrit Harsen John Brown John Bogert Thomas Storm Philip J. Arcularius	Assistts

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Augustus Street was read & ratified by the Bd and John Fox was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & John McCombs to pave the said Street

The like for paving the Streets on each side of *of* Burling & Pecks Slips and Hugh Montgomery was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Henry Hulsart and Thomas J Stagg & Abm Stagg to pave the said Streets.

Ordered that John McVickar be appointed to make the Estimate and Assessmt for paving Front Street from Burling Slip to Beekmans Slip in the place of John Motley who appears to [be] interested [347] A Petition complaining against the Indulgence to Hucksters and drawers of Coffee in the Street at the Fly Market was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Messrs Harsen & Carmer.

A List of Passengers landed contrary to Law from on Board the Ship Caledonia from Greenock in Scotland Philip B Sands Master was read and it was ordered that James Culbertson commence a Suit agt the said Master at the risque of this Bd

A Petition to sink a Well at the intersection of first & Pump Streets was read & granted under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Henry Verveelen on Acct towds the Corporation part for paving Broad Way.....	£100:—:—
issd	Garrit Harsen on Acct.....	£300:—:—
issd	Cornls Hoffman for glazing the Goal Windows.....	£11: 0: 6
issd	Provo & Smith for cleans a Well in the 6th Ward.....	£4: 9: 4

[348] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of June 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Theophs Beekman
Anthony Post
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Alds

John Bogert
Thomas Storm
Anthony Brown
Nichs Carmer
} Assists

The Board having at the last Meeting agreed to pass an Ordinance to compel the making of the new Street of 70 feet wide called South Street lately laid out on the East River from Coenties Slip to the old Slip and to fill up the Water Lots out to the said Street by the first of September next and several of the Proprietors by Petition read this day having represented to the Board their inability to execute the Work by the time limited and prayed a further time Whereupon the said Ordinance was amended & the first day of May next inserted for the completion of the Work and passed & ordered to be published

[349] On reading a Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office in which they inform that several Persons had neglected to comply with the Ordinances to prevent Nuisances, the Bd direct that James Culbertson be the Prosecutor of all such Persons as shall be reported to him by the Health Commissrs as may have incurred Penalties under the Ordinances of this Board for preventing or removing Nuisances.

On reading a Petition of Stephen Smith Ordered that he be permitted to take up Pearl Street to lay a private Drain to lead the Bye Water from his Cellar into the Main Drain under the direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward

A Request of Thomas Pearsall, to take Earth from a part of the public Road to raise the Road leading to his House; was read & granted, if the Commissr of Roads on viewing it shall determine it not injurious to the public Road.

A Letter from the Mayor & Aldermen of Philadelphia recommending Mr Peale's new con[s]tructed & improved fire Places as highly beneficial was read And it was ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to return a respectful Answer thereto And that the Committee on Repairs direct an experiment to be made on six of the fire Places in the Alms House.

[350] Ordered that Daniel Hitchcock be appointed an Engineer in the fire Department vice Thomas Hazard removed from this City.

A Representation of the Trustees of the African School in this City was read & referred to the Committee on the subject of Schools. And it was ordered that an advance of
iss[d] $250 out of the Monies granted by the Legislature for the encouragem[t] of Schools be made to the said Trustees for the use of the said School And that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer for paym[t] thereof accordingly

An Estimate & Assessm[t] for paving the lower End of Dey Street was read & ratified and Benj[a] Romaine was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Arthur Smith to pave the said Street

This Board having on the 13[th] Instant Resolved to provide a Sum not exceeding $50,000 towards the erection of Works & providing Cannon & military Stores for the defence of this City & Harbor Ordered that Alderman Gabriel Furman be authorized on behalf of this Board to draw Monies from the Bank of New York to be applied to that purpose to the amount of ten thousand Dollars.

[351] Ordered that the Treasurer make an immediate settlement with the Collectors of Taxes and that he be authorized to take from them Notes with good Endorsers payable in 60 & 90 Days for the Ballances due from them respectively.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	77:10: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	62: 2: 6
iss[d]	John Goodeve for Box of Candles	3: 2: 6
iss[d]	Bernard O Blenis Clk of Police Office for his Services 1 Q[r]	$187[50]/100
iss[d]	Michael Brooks for repairs Lamps	£51: 6: 8
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lights Lamps	£92: 3: 5

[352] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 29[th] June 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John B Coles	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Garrit Harsen	Assist[ts]
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	
Theoph[s] Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
Anthony Post		Nicholas Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Jacob DelaMontagnie		Thomas Storm	

M[r] Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from His Excellency the Governor of the 27[th] Instant enclosing Copies of a Letter from Major

Gen[l] Clarkson to his Excellency and his Excellency's Answer thereto on the subject of the defenceless State of this Port & City and the expediency of immediately convening the Legislature in this City on the Occasion; which were read and Thereupon resolved that the extreme necessity of the Case had induced this Board to determine upon immediately raising a Sum of Money to be [353] applied towards providing for the defence of the City of New York and it's Harbor in confidence that the same would be repaid by the General Government or the Legislature of the State But that the Magnitude and Importance of the Object and it's Connection with the essential Interests of the Community induce them to unite with the Committee of the Citizens in the Wish that it may be submitted to the Wisdom of the Legislature at as early a Period as may be practicable and in this City if His Excellency the Governor shall think it advisable.

As an additional Reason for this Measure the Board would suggest that Although they are impressed with the necessity of their Interference in the first Instance to promote the important Object above specified, they are nevertheless convinced that it may require larger advances than they could prudently make, even if they had the Power before the stated time for the Meeting of the Legislature.

Resolved that M[r] Mayor be requested to transmit the above Resolution to his Excellency the Governor with their Acknowledgements for the Communication he has made to them.

[354] Ordered that one of the City Watchmen be stationed to guard the Laboratory at the Battery.

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 7[th] Ward direct an Inventory to be taken of the Corporation property at Belle View & to cause the said Property to be deposited in one of the Rooms & locked up.

On reading a Petition of a number of Inhabitants in the Bowery Lane complaining of the Dangerous Practice of running or racing Horses in the public Road or Highway.

The follow[g] "Law to prohibit the running or racing of Horses in any public Street or Road within this City" was passed by the B[d] & ordered to be published

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council Convened That no person shall run or race any Horse or Start the same for the purpose of racing in any Public Street or Road within the City of New York and if any Person or Persons do or shall Start, run or race any Horse Contrary to this Law every such Person and also the Owner and possessor of such Horse, if he or she shall Suffer or consent to such Starting run-

ning or racing shall forfeit and pay as a fine for each Offence the Sum of Ten Dollars the one half of which said fine when recovered and paid into the Hands of the Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City shall be by the said Treasurer or Chamberlain paid to the person or persons who shall have Commenced and prosecuted the Suit against the Offender.

And be it further Ordained by the Authority aforesaid that if any Offiender against this Law shall be an Apprentice a Servant or a Slave the Master, Mistress or owner of such Apprentice, Servant or Slave shall be and hereby is made answerable for the payment of such fine as aforesaid

[355] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday July 2d 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen	Assistts
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
Jacob De La Montagnie		John Bogert	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Anthony Post		Thomas Storm	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	

On reading a Memorial or Letter from Henry King Master of the Brigr Polaski from Cape Nichola Mole Ordered that on his filing the Security required by Law for landing Passengers & paying the Costs of the Suit against him Mr Culbertson be directed to stay the Suit

Ordered that Mr Culbertson institute a Suit against Wm Wheaton Master of the Brigt Rowena from Port au Prince for landing fifty Passengers contrary to Law.

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Warren Street from Greenwich Street to the West side of Washington Street; [356] was read & ratified by the Board And Henry Verveelen was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Arthur Smith to pave the said Street

The like for digging out Bedlow Street; And Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Wm Butler & Co to execute the Work.

The like for Henry Street; and Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Danl Raveau to execute the Work.

Ordered that the Committee on Repairs direct Iron Backs to be put to such Chimnies & Weights to the Windows in the Bridewell as may be necessary.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Garrit Harsen on Acct	£500:—:—
issd	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps	£70:15: 6
issd	Robt Steel for white washing the Fly Market	£13: 9:—
issd	Richd Furman for Expences of the Road Committee...	£8:16:—

[357] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 9th day of July 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
Richard Furman
Anthony Post
John B Coles
Theophs Beekman
Jacob De La Montagnie
} Esqrs Aldn

Garrit Harsen
Nichs Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn
John Bogert
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

A Petition complaining of the Building called the Exchange as a great Interruption to Broad Street & Water Street & praying that it be taken down & removed was read & rejected.

It appearing from the Assessment for paving Oliver Street; which was ratified by the Board the 1st Septr 1794 that the Sum of £12:7:3 assessed on a Lot of Ann Dealing remains unpaid and that the said Lot is in the Tenure & Occupation of Walter Bowne

Ordered purst to the Act of the Legislature in such case made & provided that the said Walter Bowne be required to pay the said Sum so assessed to David Harriot Collector of the Monies on the said Assessment.

[358] An Ordinance for the repaving of Pearl Street from Van De Water Street to the South side of the Gutter that crosses the Street at the House late of John Woods decd opposite to Rutgers Street; was read & passed by the Board.

The Committee of this Board on the subject of providing for the defence of this City represented that a Piece of Ground would be wanted to erect a Building* on for the deposit of Artillery with its Apparatus And on examination think the Triangular Piece of Ground lying on the North East side of the Gaol and bounded by the Gaol Fence, Chatham Street & Tryon Row, to be the most proper for the purpose Whereupon the Board determined that the said Piece of Ground may be taken & used for the purpose aforesaid leaving the Street along Tryon Row at least forty feet wide.

* Marginal note reads *Arsenal.*—Ed.

Ordered that Samuel Mitchell be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 12 vice Dan[l] Hitchcock appointed an Engineer of the fire Department

Ordered that the Treasurer be authorized (if the State of the Treasury shall require it) to negociate a Loan with the Bank of New York for any Sum or Sums not exceeding in the whole $2000

[359] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Jacob Harsen on Acc[t] towards repairs the Roads.....	£200:—:—
iss[d]	David Marshall for superintends Potters field bury[g] G[d]	£23: 2:—
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like.....	£77:10: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16[th] day of July 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Anthony Post
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
John B Coles
Jotham Post
John Bogert
Anthony Brown
Garrit Harsen
Nich[s] Carmer
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
Philip J Arcularius

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Water Street from James Slip to Cath[n] Slip was read & ratified by the Board [360] and David Harriot was appointed to collect the Monies thereon and Thomas Whytlaw to pave the s[d] Street

The like for Water Street from Wall Street to the Fly Market and Corn[s] C Wynkoop was appointed to collect the Monies & George Gosman to pave the said Street

Ordered that the Proprietors of Water Lots between James Slip & Catharine Slip be required to raise the Wall Plate of the Wharf to such heighth as to suit the pavement of that S[t]

Ordered that Alex[r] M[c]Donald be permitted to take up the Broad Way & to make a Vault in front of his House under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the Ward On condition that he enter into Bond in the Penalty of $100 conditioned that he do without delay cause the Street to be repaved & put in good Order and that if at any time hereafter the pavement of such part of the Street as he shall take up &

repave shall by the settling of the Ground require new paving he will do it at his own Expence.

Ordered that in future no Person be permitted to take up any Part of a Street for the purpose of making Vaults or Drains &c except on the above Terms & Conditions.

[361] Ordered that Leonard Kline be appointed a fire Man to Engine N° 19 vice George F Dominick decd

Isaac Doughty & George Walton to N° 22 vice James Phillips resigned and Jacob Carpenter for neglect of Duty And George Shimeal to N° 7 vice John Harrison resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs & Henry Carmer for Iron Mongery at the Gaol City Hall & Bridewell.....	£36: 9:10
issd	Van Wyck & Phillips for 8 Cask Gun Powder to celebrate the 4th July Inst.....	$120
issd	Rinier Skaats for the Sextons ringing the Bells on that Occasion 12/ each.....	£7: 4:—

[362] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday July 23d 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post Theophs Beekman Anthony Post Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Garrit Harsen John Bogert	Assistts

Ordered that Henry Crom be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood on the Hudson River side of this City

Ordered that a Watchman be placed at Colo Stevens's Labaratory.

A Petition of Gilbert Van Mater was read—that part of it which prays a Lease of the Water Lot at Brooklyn Ferry was rejected And the other part which represents the want of Repair to the Ferry Stairs was referred to Mr Harsen to take order on the subject

Ordered that Mr Hardenbrook the Engineer, take order for repairing the old fire Engine Leaders or for making new ones under the Direction of the Comtee

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots on Duane, Jay, Harison & Provoost Streets cause the said Streets from Greenwich to Washington Streets to be dug out without delay

[363] An Ordinance requiring Andrew Stockholm to fill up &

raise certain sunken Lots bounded on Magazine Street was read & passed by the Board.

The following Regulation of Cross Street from Mulberry to Mott Street was read [and] approved by the Board

"Ascent from Mulberry S^{t} to Mott Street one foot on 10 feet. In consequence it will require to be dug at the extent of 50 feet from the Kennel in Mulberry Street 1 foot 6 Inches—thence at the extent of 50 feet further 1 foot 2 Inches—thence at the extent of 30 feet further 4 feet—thence at the extent of 25 feet further 6 feet 5 Inches—thence at the extent of 21 feet further 8 feet 2 Inches & so till it terminates at the extent of 10 feet further at Mott Street."

An Ordinance for digging out the said Street agreable to the above Regulation was passed by the Board.

Ordered that Henry Remmey & Mich^{l} Day be appointed fire Men to Engine N^{o} 23 vice Jacob Evans & Martin Myers removed for neglect of Duty.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	David Waldron on Acc^{t} tow^{ds} Roads	£140:—:—
iss^{d}	Henry Verveelen on Acc^{t} tow^{ds} paving Broad Way	£100:—:—
iss^{d}	Garrit Harsen on Acc^{t}	£200:—:—
iss^{d}	[364] Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£77:10: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£77:10: 6
iss^{d}	Provo & Smith for clean^{g} Wells	£10:14:—
iss^{d}	Woolsey & Rogers for Goal Locks	£1: 4:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 31st July 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman Theoph^{s} Beekman Anthony Post Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Garrit Harsen Thomas Storm Philip J Arcularius John Bogert	Assist^{s}

Ordered that Ald^{n} G Furman be appointed a Member of the Committee of Acc^{ts} vice Ald^{n} R Furman during his absence from this City in attending the Legislature.

Ordered that Ald^{n} G Furman be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the defence of this City) a further Sum not exceeding ten thousand Dollars, to be applied to that use.

Ordered that the associated Scotch Church be permitted to make an Area to their new Church of the breadth in the Street of two & an half feet.

[365] Ordered that Messrs Van Horne and Clarkson be permitted to make Area's & Vaults in the Street in front of their Houses in the Broad Way under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward & entering into Bond for making & keeping the Street in good Order.

The Board proceeded to examine the Tax Lists delivered in by the Assessors of the several Wards & settled the Quota's of the several Wards as follows

1st Ward	$1,400,000
2d Ward	3,500,000
3d Ward	3,550,000
4th Ward	1,750,000
5th Ward	1,550,000
6th Ward	1,400,000
7th Ward. So of the Line	1,400,000
7th do No of do	1,200,000
7th do Harlem Division	250,000
	$16,000,000

The Board then determined the Amt of the Monies to be raised by the Tax as follows vizt

On City & County	$63,250
on do do for Schools	2,360
	$65,610
On City So of the Line	36,583
	$102,193

[366] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 6th day of Augt 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		John Bogert	
Anthony Post		Anthony Brown	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	

Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder with the other Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms Hs & Bridewell The Com-

mittee of Acct^s reported that they had examined the Acct^s of the Commiss^rs as to their expenditures for the last Q^r & found them right

Those of the Alms H^s amount^g to..... £2894: 0: 5
Those of the Bridewell to..... 553: 5: 8

An Estimate for the Ensuing Quarter was then read & approved viz^t

For the Alms H^s..... £2600:—:—
For the Bridewell..... 900:—:—

iss^d Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his W^t on the Treas^r for paym^t thereof accord^y

A Letter from the Commiss^rs of the Health Office relative to the Situation of the Water Lots between Coenties Slip & [367] *and* the old Slip & requesting a Committee of this B^d to view the Premisses & to determine on & report the Measures necessary to be taken thereon; was read & Ald^n Coles & G Furman were appointed accord^gly

Another Letter from the same Commissioners was read, covering their Acc^t Cur^t (which Acc^t was referred to the auditing Committee) and a Representation of a Nuisance in front of a Store of M^r Bennet in front Street near Pecks Slip. Whereupon an Ord^ce for the removal of the said Nuisance was passed by the Board

A Proposal of W^m Child to provide reflecting Tellescopes to discern Shipping at a great distance was read & referred to the Committee on fortifications.

A Petition of George Peck was read praying an Indulgence to make a passage from the River, under Cherry Street to draw Timber &^c for the building of a Ship of War in his Yard which was granted on Condition that he enter into Bond conditioned that he will at his expence put the Street & Wharf in compleat & good Order immediately on the said Ship's being launched.

[368] On a suggestion that there is not Monies sufficient to discharge the Warrants issued for payment of the City Watchmen & several Acct^s Ordered that M^r Phœnix negociate a loan, for the Purpose of paying off those Warr^ts, with the Bank of New York for any Sum not exceeding three thousand Dollars

Ordered that the Proprietors of Lots at Pecks [Slip] be required to raise the Plate of the Wharf to the heighth of the Street.

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^ts on the Treas^r to pay.

iss^d Mary Van Breemer for the support of a Bastard Child of her Daughter Ellinor Van Breemen the Interest of the Money deposited in the Treasury to indemnify the public ag^t the Charge of supporting the s^d Child.

issd	Richard Harison Esqr a retainer for Mr John Lovet to defend the case of a Pauper removed under the Statute from this City to Washington County.....	$25
issd	Theophs Beekman Esqr for his Services as a special Justice	$226 90/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie Esqr for the like.....	$187 50/100
issd	Hulsart & Stagg for paving.....	£20: 10: —
issd	Peter Cole for the lamp lightin[g].....	£9: 12: 9
issd	[369] Provo & Smith for cleans & repairs public Wells..	£7: 3: 8
issd	John Morton for printg.....	£10: 2: —
issd	Hugh Gobell for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£81: 7: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday Augt 9th 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman
Theophs Beekman
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Jotham Post
Antho Post
John B Coles
} Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert
Garrit Harsen
Mangle Minthorn
Anthony Brown
Nichs Carmer
} Assistts

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting to meet the Commissrs of the Health Office to view certain Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the Old Slip report that in conjunction with the said Commissrs they had viewed the Premisses and that in their Opinion Ordinances ought to be passed for the raising & filling up the said Water Lots with wholesome [370] Earth by the 1st Septr next under the Penalty of $250 for each Lot Also for doing the like under the same Penalty with the Water Lots of Thomas Marston & of Robert Bruce decd by the 25th Instant. Whereupon Ordinances for filling up & raising the said Water Lots agreable to the said Report were passed by the Board accordingly.

A Law was also passed for paving the Street on the East side of Coenties Slip from Front Street to the Bridge

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of August 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Anthony Post		John Bogert	
Jotham Post		Garrit Harsen	
Theophs Beekman		Nichs Carmer	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Brown	

Ordered that Aldn G Furman be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York (of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the defence of this City) a further Sum not exceeding ten thousand Dollars to be applied to that use.

[371] A Letter from the Health Commissrs was read representing among other Things that the Swamp or Meadow between the fresh Water Pond & Hudsons River is overflowed with standing Water & requires immediate Measures to be taken for draining it;

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the sixth Ward take Order for the immediate draining of the said Meadow

Also representing a sunken Lot of Nichs Bogert in James Street & a Lot adjoining it of John Franklin as in a state of Nuisance.

Whereupon an Ordinance for filling up the said Lots was passed by the Board.

A Letter from Andrew Stockholm representing that he is not sole proprietor of the Lots on Magazine Street & included in the Ordinance passed the 23d July last.

Whereupon the Board passed a new Ordinance for filling up the said Lots as belonging to Andrew Stockwell, Henry Brooks & David Dickson

A Letter from Valentine Seaman with observations on the paving of the Gutters in the Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Aldn A: Post reports that Samuel Winship has not attended his Standing as a Butcher in Hudson Market for six Weeks last past.

[372] On reading A Letter from Philip Ruckle for Instructions as to the filling up of the Streets leading from the Broad Way towards the fresh Water Pond; the Board direct that the original Regulation of those Streets be his guide.

On a complaint that the practice of the Vendors of Fruit & Vegitables remaining in the Markets & Streets adjacent until a late Hour of the Night is productive of great Noise & Disturbance to the Neigh-

borhood Ordered that the Deputy Clerks of the Markets cause all the Hucksters & Vendors of Fruit & Vegitables to be removed from the public Market Places & Streets adjacent at Sun Set every Day except Vendors of Vegitables on Saturday

A Representation of Joseph Dunham & others respecting the low & sunken State of certain Lots, in the sixth Ward, at the Bottom of Barley Street & adjacent to Hudson Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

A Petition for leave to sink a Well in Murray Street & for the usual Allowance was read & granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Wd

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for making a new Cisterns at the Bridewell & to make the Kennel at the lower end of Chambers Street so as to prevent Injury to the Common Sewer

[373] An Instrument in the Words following was presented to the Board & read & filed vizt

*" To the honorable the Common Council of the City of New York I do hereby certify and declare that I have assigned transferred & conveyed to John Houseman & George Schmelzel two fronts of twenty five feet each from the north end of the Lands for which I obtained an order for a Grant of the Water and of the Land between high and low Water Mark from your honorable Board You will therefore be pleased to order the aforesaid Grants for the Land opposite their Lots to be made to them they paying to your Treasurer the Quit Rents & the Sum of fifty Pounds for the Land between high & low Water Mark on each of their Lots. Witness my Hand & Seal this 16th day of August 1798.

Edward Livingston [Seal]

Witness

Rich: Riker

Ordered that the Grants to Messrs Houseman & Schmelzel be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

to Engine No 24 Thos S Barnham vice Jacob Somerindike resigned

Hook & Ladder No 1 Thos Pryce vice James Oakley resigned.

No 24 John T Barrow vice Andw Westervelt resigned.

[374] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

* Marginal note reads *Vide Minutes 14th Novr 1796.*—Ed.

issd	George Janeway for the digging out in front of a Lot of this Bd in Augustus St & occupied by Margt Scott....	£3:10: 4
	And for a like Lot occupied by Abm Young.....	£2: 1: 8
issd	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls conveyg Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£13:12: 2
issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£44: 2:—
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps.....	£54: 3: 6
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for the like.....	£31:11:11
issd	Henry Verveelen for ballce of paving in Broad Way at the Bridewell	£53: 5:11
issd	—— Halsey & others for coppyg & carrying out Poundage of Tax Books.....	$93
issd	John Davidson for Rope at the Repairs of Corporation Wharf	£0:18: 9
issd	The Justices of £10 Court.....	$468
issd	Edwd Bardin for a public Dinner last 4th July.....	£39: 5:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary.....	£20:—:—
	& Disbursements	—:12:—
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

[375] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of Augt 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Anthony Post
Jotham Post
Theophs Beekman
Jacob De La Montagnie
John B Coles
} Esqrs Alda

Garret Harsen
John Bogert
Anthony Brown
Mangle Minthorn
} Assistts

On reading a Letter from the Health Commissrs.

A Law was passed by the Board to prevent the bringing of Oysters into this City during the Month of Septr next

And it was ordered that the Sedan & Bedstead at the City Hall, & the public Hearse be subject to be taken at any time when sent for by an order of either of the Commissrs of Health And also that Mr Dodge Keeper of the Alms House deliver of the Coffins made at the Alms House to their Order

Ordinances were also passed requiring Thomas Marston & Robert Bruce to fill up & take such Measures with their Water Lots as to render them wholesome & clean.

Ordered that Mr Gœrick the Surveyor make a Survey of Green-

wich Street northward from Mr Lispenards & report to the Board whether any Encroachments have been made thereon.

[376] A Petition of Anthony L Bleecker & others praying that they may be permitted to execute the Work themselves which *which* is required by the Ordinance for repairing the Pavement and Gutters of Water Street from Wall Street to the Fly Market; was read & granted Provided it be done under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward and Mr Gosman's consent be obtained.

Ordered that Mr Harsen take order for the sinking of a new Well at the Gaol of nine feet diameter at Bottom.

The Committee on the Petition of Patrick Donelly complaining of a Lot of Abm Hatfield in Mott Street as a Nuisance for want of filling up Report that they have viewed the said Lot and that it does not appear to be in the State of nuisance represented in the Petition.

On reading a Letter from Richd Riker with an Affidavit of Henry Cahoone on the subject of the Suit commenced against the said Henry Cahoone for landing Passengers contrary to the Statute It was ordered that on his paying Mr Culbertson thirty Dollars for his trouble in the business & also on his paying Mr Riggs the Costs accrued in the Suit the Suit be stayed.

On reading a Petition of John Gebo & others against filling & raising the Streets leading from the Broad Way towards the fresh Water Pond; the Board determine to adhere to the original Regulation of those Streets.

[377] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

	Aldn G Furman for so much by him pd to Dr Bridgen	
issd	for repairg the Road across the Commons along the	
	No side of his Land.....	87^{80}/_{100}$
issd	Hopkins & Co for printing.....	$45
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£91: 0: 10

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Garrit Harsen	
Anthony Post		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Bogert	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
John B Coles			

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office with a Report of the number of Death's & of Persons sick with the prevailing Fever at Belle Vue was read & filed.

A Petition of John Smith for leave to butcher & sell Meat in the Bowery Lane was read and rejected.

[378] On reading certain Proposals of Thos Ash to collect the Fees of Wharfage & Slippage on a Commission; The Board determine that it be farmed out to such Person as shall offer the greatest Sum from the 1st Septr Instant to the first of Septr next & that the Clerk advertize for Proposals written & sealed up 'till Monday next 12 O'Clock.

On reading a Petition of Suydam & Wyckhoff & others An Ordinance for paving South Street from the Exchange Slip to Coenties Slip was passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Justices of the Police Office on Acct towards the Relief of certain indigt families from St Domingo....	$40
issd	The same towards the Relief of such indigent families as are or shall become distress[ed] during the present prevailing sickness	$200
issd	*Gerrit Harsen on Acct.....	£200:—:—
issd	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps.....	£5:11: 6
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to public Pumps.....	£40: 6: 4
issd	Hugh Gobell for the City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£81: 7: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£81: 7: 6

Garrit Harsen in full for the followg Accts for Work done by order of the Board vizt

[379]	issd	For carting Sand & Repairs at Peck's Slip	£26:16:—
	issd	For the erection of a new Barn & Stables at Brookly[n] ferry.....	420:—:—

* Marginal note reads *see Minutes on the subject of this Warrt febr 4th 1799.*—Ed.

	issd	For a Bulkhead at Cathn Slip.....	£322: 8:—
Revenue	issd	For Repairs to Markets.....	2:—:—
	issd	For workg the Mud Drudge in cleang the public Slips	439:17: 3
	issd	For Repairs to Watch House.....	6: 8:11
City contingt		For making Centry Boxes.....	50:12:10
	issd	For Repairs & Improvemts at the Battery	197: 4: 6
	issd	For the like at the Gaol.....	26: 5: 3
	issd	For the like at the City Hall.....	140: 7:—
	issd	For the like at the Alms House.....	162:11:10
	issd	For the like at the Bridewell.....	149:13: 3
City & County contingt	issd	For the like plantg Trees &c in the Park...	47: 5:—
	issd	For the like on Streets *on Streets* & Common Sewers	122:17: 8
	issd	For the like at Potters field burying Ground	22:12: 6
	issd	For the ballce of his Acct for his Services & Articles sold.....	320: 5: 8

[380] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Garrit Harsen	Assists
Jacob De laMontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman		John Bogert	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Thomas Storm	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	

On opening & reading the sealed written Proposals for the public Docks & Slips for one Year from the 1st Septr Instant Those of Thomas Ash, Stephen Bourdett & Daniel Coe appeared to be the most advantageous for the Corporation (vizt ten thousand Dollars) & were accepted by the Board accordingly

Ordered that John Sickels be permitted to sink a rain Water Cistern in the Street in front of his House at the Corner of Maiden Lane & Nassau Street under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Ordered that Aldn Gabriel Furman be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York (of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the Defence of this City) a further Sum not exceeding $10.000

[381] A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office was read. Thereupon Ordered that Aldn Gabl Furman, Coles, Beekman,

DelaMontagnie & R. Furman & Messrs Bogert & Arcularius be a standing Committee (during the present sickness in this City) in aid of the Health Commissrs and that they be authorized to take such Measures for the Relief of the sick & indigent and also to employ such Persons under them in the execution of the Business and also to direct such Physicians to attend the indigent sick as to them shall appear necessary & proper & to make the necessary arrangements with the Health Commissrs with respect to the admission of sick Persons at Belle Vue Hospital; And that this Board will provide for defraying all the Expences incurred by the said Committee in the Premisses.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his warrts on the Treasr to advance to the Justices of the Police Office for the use of the said Committee $1000

issd

Ordered that the Treasr negociate a loan with the Bank of New York for such Monies as may be required for the public Purposes not exceedg in the whole $5000.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	[382] Benjamin Romaine for the Corporations part of paving the Street at Dey's Slip.....	£70: 4: 1
issd	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£8: 7: 6
issd	The Estate of Josiah Furman decd for repairg Lamps...	£25:14: 2
issd	John Borris for necessaries for the Board.....	£3: 9:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Theophs Beekman, Jotham Post, John B Coles, Gabriel Furman, Richard Furman, Jacob DelaMontagnie } Esqrs Aldn

John Bogert, Philip J Arcularius, Anthony Brown, Nicholas Carmer } Assistts

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed Inspectors of the Ensuing Election of Charter Officers to be held at the followg Places in the several Wards vizt

1st Ward.....	John Nitchie	Trinity Church
2d do	Gulian Verplanck	City Hall
3d do	James Van Antwerp.....	Barnt B Martling
4th do	George Gosman	St Pauls Church
5th do	Leonard Fisher	German L. Church
6th do	Isaac Van Vleck.....	Bridewell
7th do	Thomas White	Bulls Head

[383] In consequence of so many of the Inhabitants having left the City on account of the sickly state of the City the Board apprehend danger from Robbers & Incendiaries And therefore Order that the number of the City Watchmen be doubled

On a suggestion that the Sextons of the several burying Grounds do not dig the Graves of sufficient Depth & that the Porters or carriers of Corps through the Streets made a practice of passing along on the side Walks to[o] close to the Houses an Ordinance to correct this inconvenience was passed by the Board & ordered to be published.

Ordered that it be recommended to the Health Commissioners to cause the Law to be strictly executed ag[t] Persons having putrid or unwholesome Beef or Pork or other like substances in their Stores or Cellars.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	The Health Committee of this Board on Acc[t].....	$2000
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£81:18: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like.....	£81:18: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Bogart & Blauvelt for repair[s] Pumps 6[th] W[d].....	£55: 0: 9
iss[d]	Provo & Smith for cleaning Wells 6[th] Ward.....	£37:14: 6
iss[d]	George Gosman for Whitewashing, cleaning & repair[s] the City Hall.....	£134: 2: 1
iss[d]	James Saunders for filling up a Lot of Nich[s] Bogert in James Street	£18:19: 6

[384]City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24[th] Sept[r] 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Theoph[s] Beekman Jacob DelaMontagnie	} Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Bogert Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius	} Assist[s]

Ordered that the Members of the Health Committee of this Board be appointed to examine the Treasurers Acc[ts] & report to the Board.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	The Health Committee of this Board on Acc[t].....	$1000
iss[d]	Moses Sears for paving round certain Wells in the 5[th] W[d]	£2: 9: 6
iss[d]	Rob[t] Valentine for covering Wells in Broad Way.....	£1:19:—
iss[d]	Mark Campbell for paving round Wells 6[th] Ward.....	£0:18:—
iss[d]	Patrick Todd for lamp Oil.....	$1605[97]/100

[385] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 29th day of Septr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Theophs Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Bogert Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius	Assists

Pursuant to the Directions of the Charter the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year And Daniel Phœnix was appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor then nominated & appointed James Culbertson, High Constable of this City for the ensuing Year

Mr Mayor reminded the Members that by Law a Meeting of the Board was required on Tuesday next to examine the Loan Officers Books & Accounts.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£92: 4:—
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of the Police Office.....	187^{99}/_{100}$

[386] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 2d day of Octr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John B Coles Theophs Beekman Jacob DelaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown John Bogert Philip J Arcularius	Assists

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Cornelius Ray one of the Loan Officers of this City & County which was read & filed & is in the Words followg vizt

Greenwich Octr 1st 1798

" Gentlemen.

Having absented myself so long from the City, I feel a reluctance to enter it during the prevalence of the present Disorder; I therefore hope the enclosed statement of the Accts of the loan Office will prove satisfactory without now producing the Books, them shall be laid before your honorable Board as soon as I return to the City if required and I vouch for the enclosed abstracts being correct, by which

you will find there are only two new Mortgages taken since the last Years examination.

Mr Wilkes receipts for the Money is in Mr Banckers possession who is absent I have the honor to be very respectfully

Gentn your most Obedt Servt

Cornls Ray."

The hon.

The Mayor & Corporation

[387] The Ab[s]tracts enclosed in the said Letter were also read & filed & are as follows vizt

1798 Dr — The Treasury of the State of New York in Account with the new Loan Officers of the City & County of New York for Interest recd — Cr

June 26th	To Loan Officers Salary 1 Year..	£80:—:—	1798 May 1st	By sundry Persons for 1 Years Interest due on their Mortgages £19300 Prinl at 6 P Ct.....	£1158
do do	To Cash pd in New York Bank pr Receipt 2665 Dols	1066:—:—			
Augt 23d	To Do in Do in full	12:—:—			
		£1158:—:—			

Dr — The Treasury of the State of New York in Acct with the Loan Officers of the said City & County for Principal & Interest recd — Cr

1798 Augt 23d	To Loan Officers Salary 1 Year..	£80:—:—	1797 Septr 28th	By Principal Ballce on Loan 2624½ or	£10499
	To Cash pd in full in the New York Bank as per Recpts Principal & Interest $3346 13/100....	444:19:—	1798 June 19th	By Interest 1 Year @ 5 P Ct on Do	£524:19
		£524:19:—		£893:10:—	
	To ballce of Principal remains on Loan.....	Dolls 24013¾		or 9605:10:—	
				£10499:—:—	

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[389] From the Returns of the late Election for Charter Officers the following Persons appear to be duly elected viz[t]

	Gabriel Furman	Alderman
	Thomas Storm	Assistant
1st Ward	James Van Dyk, John H Sickels	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Philip Fulkerson, John Reins	Constables
	John B Coles	Alderman
	William Bayard	Assistant
2d Ward	Edmund Seaman, Anthony L Bleecker	Assessors
	Cornelius C Wynkoop	Collector
	Henry Burtsell, Barent Newkerck	Constables
	Theophilus Beekman	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
3d Wd	Samuel Burling, Moses Rogers	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Robert Johnson	Constables
	John Bogert	Aldn
	George Lindsay	Assistant
4th Wd	John De la Mater, John B Dash	Assessors
	Benjamin Romaine	Collector
	John Ackerman, Joshua Hunt	Constables
[390]	Jotham Post	Alderman
	.....	Assistant
5th Wd	John P Ritter, James Drake	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	Samuel Montgomery, Joseph Dunkley	Constables
	Jacob De LaMontagnie	Alderman
	Anthony Brown	Assistant
6th Wd	Joseph Watkins, Peter Arell	Assessors
	John Fox	Collector
	Henry Bogardus, John N Johnson	Constables

	Richard Furman	**Alderman**
	Mangle Minthorn	**Assistant**
Bowery Division 7th Ward	Jacob Arden, William Hunter	Assessors
	Martin Morrison	Collector
	John McLachlen, William Sloo	Constables
Harlem Division	Andrew McGown, Lawrence Benson	Assessors
	John Bussing	Collector
	David Willson, Blaze Moore	Constables

From the Poll List of the 5th Ward it appeared that Philip J Arcularius & Daniel Hitchcock the two Candidates for the Office of Assistant had each an equal number of Votes And the Board thereupon determined that no Election was had as it respected the said Office and therefore that Mr Arcularius continued in Office for the ensuing Year

[391] Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend on the 15th Octr next to take the Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter.

Ordered that Mr Carmer be appointed to superintend such Work & Improvements as shall from time to time be ordered by this Board in the place of Mr Harsen decd and on the like Terms.

Ordered that Gabriel Furman Esqr be authorized to draw from the Bank of New York (of the $50,000 Dollars provided by this Board for the Defence of this City) the further Sum of 10,000 Dollars.

Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a further loan of the Bank of New York to the amount of $5000 to defray the current Expences until the present sickness & mortality in this City shall so abate as to enable to collection of Monies by Tax.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Justices of the Police Office for the Relief of certain indigent families from St Domingo	$40
issd	Rinier Skaats for fire Wood at the City Hall	$200
issd	The Health Committee of this Bd	$1000
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£119:17: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£116:11: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£90:14: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£95:13:—

[392] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 8th day of Oct[r] 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Philip J Arcularius	Assist[ts]
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Theoph[s] Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	
Richard Furman		John Bogert	

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	Goodeve & Brown for a Box of Candles.....	£3: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of Oct[r] 1798

Present/ Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John B Coles	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	William Bayard	Assist[ts]
Theoph[s] Beekman		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		George Lindsay	
Richard Furman		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	

M[r] Recorder administered to the Ald[n] & Assistants above named (except M[r] Arcularius who was adjudged to [393] continue or hold over in his Office the ensuing Year) & the other following Officers the Oaths prescribed by the Charter viz[t]

Daniel Phœnix Treasurer &[c] who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office.

Joseph Watkins	Assessors
Jacob J Arden	
Philip Fulkerson	Constables
John Reins	
Henry Bertsell	
Barnt Newkerk	
Samuel Stockwell	
Robert Johnson	
John Ackerman	
Samuel Montgomery	
Joseph Dunkley	
Henry Bogardus	
John N Johnson	
John M[c]Lachlen	
William Sloo	
Blaze Moor	

Ordered that the several standing Committees continue 'till the next Meeting of the Board.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$400
issd	Evert Bancker Surveyor on Acct	$15
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£119:17: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£119:17: 6

[394] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Mqnday the 22d day of Octr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Anthony Brown	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		George Lindsay	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Nicholas Carmer	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
John Bogert		William Bayard	

Ordered that Aldn G. Furman, Beekman, De La Montagnie & Post & Messrs Bayard & Minthorn be the standing Committee for Street & Roads

Aldn Bogert & Messrs Bayard & Lindsay the standing Committee of Accts

Messrs Carmer Lindsay & Brown the standing Committee for Lamps

And Aldn R Furman & Bogert & Mr Carmer the standing Committee for Repairs.

Ordered that Mr Carmer take order for the necessary Repairs to the Bridge at Brooklyn Ferry and for setting the Mud Drudge at Work in the public Slips

Ordered that James Black be appointed Inspector of fire Wood at Pecks Slip And Henry Crom at the Corporation Wharf on Hudson River and that Cornls Van Voorheis be removed to Rhinelanders

[395] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$1000
issd	Theophs Beekman & Jacob DelaMontagnie Police Justices for their Services each $187 50/100	$375
issd	Magnus Beekman for the City Watchmen	£96:15: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£96:15: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 29[th] 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Anthony Brown	Assist[ts]
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
John Bogert		Nich[s] Carmer	
Jacob De laMontagnie		George Lindsay	
Theoph[s] Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	

A Letter from the Commiss[rs] of the Health Office covering their Acc[t] Cur[t] was read & referred to the Health Com[tee]

The Opinions of Mess[rs] Harison & Hamilton on the Terms of Sale of the Common Lands were read & filed.

Ordered that Harmanus Gardinier be an Inspector of fire Wood at Pecks Slip.

[396] Ordered that Catharine Messerve be permitted to continue in the Occupation of the standing in the Fly Market of her late Husband George Messerve Butcher dec[d] for one Year or during the pleasure of the Board

Ordered that the several Butchers in the Fly Market render an Acc[t] on Oath of Market Fees due from them respectively for three Months last past

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d]	The Commiss[rs] of the Health Office on Acc[t]	$600
iss[d]	Josiah Furman for paint[g] & glazing	£14:14:10
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£89:17:10
iss[d]	James Culbertson for City Watch	£119:17: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£119:17: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobell for the like	£96:15: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96:15: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Novr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer
Jotham Post		William Bayard
John B Coles		George Lindsay
Richard Furman		Mangel Minthorn
John Bogert		Thomas Storm
Gabriel Furman		Philip J Arcularius
		Anthony Brown

Assistts

[397] Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder with the other Members of the Board having returned from visiting the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell; The Comtee of Accts reported that they had examined the Books & Accts of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them right

Those of the Alms House amounts to..... £1556: 4: 4
Those of the Bridewell to..... £211: 9: 1

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was read & approved vizt

for the Alms House..... £2500:—:—
for the Bridewell..... £500:—:—

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt for paymt thereof accordingly.

An Application of Ebenezer Brush relative to the Wharf & Bridge at the Hudson River was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward

Ordered that the Widow of Adam Vandenbergh decd late a Butcher in the Fly Market be indulged with the like privilege granted at the last Meeting to Catharine Messerve

On a representation that from the exhausted State of the Treasury arising from the not collecting of the Taxes during the prevailance of the Fever in this City the Watchmen & Lamplighters & others having Claims against this Board remain unpaid.

[398] Ordered that the Treasurer be & he is hereby directed to negociate a further loan from the Bank of New York for such Sums as may be necessary for discharging those Demands not exceeding in the whole five thousand Dollars

Ordered that Charles Loss & James C Lawrence be appointed Surveyors in this City; Whenever they become naturalized Citizens of the United States.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk of the Police Office on Acct.....	$62 89/100
issd	The Justices of the Police Office on Acct for Relief of St Domingo Refugees.....	$80
issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct to purchase Coal for the City Hall	$100
issd	Robt Valentine for building a fire Engine House near the Hospital	£29:13:10
issd	The same for opening the Drain at Lispinards Swamp..	£65:11: 8
issd	Bogert & Blauvelt towards a Well lately sunk at the Corner of Pump & second Streets 7 Wd.....	$45
issd	The Clerks of the late Election of Charter Officers.....	$14

Mr Mayor informed the Board that many of the Passengers lately brought to this Port from Newry in Ireland on board the Ship Nancy Forrest Master had been suffered to land in this City without [399] any Bond being entered into accords to Law to indemnify this City agt the expence of supporting such of the said Passengers as might be unable to support themselves And that several of the said Passengers had already applied to the Overseers of the Poor for Relief

Thereupon ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to commence such Prosecution against the said Master as by Law is provided & directed

On suggestion of Aldn Coles the Board took into consideration the subject of investigating the Causes of the Fever which has prevailed in this City this Season and after some time spent therein the further consideration thereof was postponed 'till the next Meeting of the Board.

[400] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of Novr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles Jotham Post John Bogert Gabriel Furman Jacob De laMontagnie Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard George Lindsay Anthony Brown Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm	Assistts

A Petition of several Butchers in the Exchange Market praying that the said Market may be removed to the Old Slip at their Expence was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

A Petition of Joseph Outenbogert for leave to purchase of the

Widow of James Young Butcher dec^{d} the Standing N^{o} 66 in the Fly Market was read & granted.

A Petition of James Campbell Butcher praying that the Standing N^{o} 19 in the Fly Market & which is become vacant by the death of Simmons Potter, may be granted to him; which was granted on Condition that he pay off the Note [401] with the Interest due thereon, which was given to this Board by the said Simmons Potter on his obtaining the said Standing.

A Request of John Garrison to be released from his Endorsement on the said Note of Simmons Potter was read & rejected.

A Petition of Thomas Lafoy late Collector of Taxes in the 4th Ward praying a further Time for the settlement of his Acc^{t} & paying into the Treasury the ballance due from him was read And it was ordered that the Treasurer proceed against him in such Manner as by Law is prescribed & directed.

Ordered that *that* such of the Charter Officers as have not already attended be notified to attend next Meeting to take the Oath's prescribed by Law.

Ordered that Sarah Everitt be indulged with the like privilege at her dec^{d} Husbands Standing in the Fly Market as that granted to Catharine Messerve on the 29th Ult^{o}

On a Complaint that a nauseous Effluvia arises through the openings or Chimnies of the Drain lately made by Isaac Gouverneur and leading to the Old Slip the Board do order that M^{r} Gouverneur be required [402] to prevent the Nuisance by shutting up the openings And also that he cause such part of the Pavement as may be sunken by the laying of the said Drain to be repaired.

An Ordinance for paving Chambers Street from Washington Street to the River was passed by the B^{d}

Ordered that the Butchers of the Fly & Catharine Slip Markets respectively do on or before 12 OClock of Monday next render an Acc^{t} on Oath, (agreable to form prescribed by the Mayor) of the Fees due from them respectively from the 30th July last to the 27th October last inclusive And also that they do by that day pay the Amount of those Fees.

Ordered that the Commiss^{rs} of the Alms House deliver to Peter Cole one Blanket for each of the crim^{l} Prisoners, And that the Commiss^{rs} hire a Cellar to store the Vegitables of the Alms House.

The Committee on the Application of E. Brush report that they have examined the Bridge or Wharf complained of & find the same

in a very dangerous State and that at a moderate expence the same may be put in such Repair as will answer the Purposes intended.

[403] Ordered that Mr E Brush & Mr James Knox be required to cause the said Wharf or Bridge [to be] repaired in such manner as to render it safe & convent

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City. viz

Engine No 20 Jonah Cutting House Carpenter vice Paul Van Der Voort resigned And George Parker Bricklayer vice Abraham Rich decd

No 23 John Vreeland vice Enos Vail removed into the Country

No 14 John Vanderbeeck Cartman vice John Maghee removed &c

Ordered that the City Watchmen be reduced to the usual number

The Board resumed the consideration of the subject of investigating the Causes of the Fever which lately prevailed in this City When Aldn Coles informed the Board that from Information he had received he believed the Medical Society had already entered on the Business Whereupon Mr Mayor was requested to inform the Medical Society of the Proceedings of this Board on the subject and to request of them Information as to the Steps they may have taken and the Progress of their Measures if any have been taken, and, if not, Whether they have any Advice or Opinion to offer to this [404] Board on the subject which may be useful in the Investigation, as the Common Council determine that the Subject shall not want their Attention or pecuniary Aid.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Richard Harison & Alexr Hamilton Esqrs for their written Opinions on the Articles of Sale of the Common Lands sold at public Auction. $25 each.....	$50
	Richard Harison & the Representatives of John Cozine & John McKesson decd each the like Sum for their written Opinions on a Case stated on a contested Election of an Assist in the first Ward in 1791.....	$75
	(issd to Mr Harison)	
	(issd & delivd to John R Cozine Jany 7th 1799)	
	(issd & delivd to Maria McKesson Admx Jany 13th 1800)	
issd	James Culbertson for City Watchmen.....	£119:17: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£119:17: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£96:15: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£96:15: 6

[405] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th Novr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De laMontagnie
John Bogert
Jotham Post
Theophs Beekman
John B Coles
Richard Furman
} Esqrs Aldn

George Lindsay
Anthony Brown
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
Thomas Storm
} Assistts

The follows Assessors attended the Board & took the Oaths prescribed by the Charter vizt

1st Wd James Van Dyk

4th { John DelaMater / John B Dash

5th { John P Ritter / James Drake

Peter Arell 6th Wd

Edmund Seaman elected an Assessor of the 2d Wd attended & represented to the Bd that he had served two Years in the said Office & therefore conceived it unreasonable that (as but one Year had elapsed since) he should again be compelled to serve and refused to take the Oath.

A Petition of B. Hilton for Ann Braur relative to the expence of paving in front of her Lot in Augustus Street was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist. of the Ward.

[406] Mr Mayor reported that he had by Letter informed the Medical Society of the Proceedings of this Board at the last Meeting on the subject of collecting & investigating Facts relative to the Epidemic Fever which lately prevailed in this City and that by a Letter from Doctor Charlton in answer to his it appeared that the Medical Society had appointed a Committee to investigate the Causes, Progress and probable Means of preventing a Return of so dreadful a Visitation; which Letters were read And thereupon it was

Resolved that Alderman Gabriel Furman, Doctor Richard Bayley, Health Officer of this Port and Doctor William Hammersley Physician be and they are hereby appointed on the part & behalf of this Board, to collect & obtain Facts relative to the Epidemic Fever which lately prevailed in this City and to investigate the Causes & Progress thereof and the probable Means of preventing a Return of so dreadful a Calamity; And that this Board will provide for such necessary Expences as may accrue in the prosecution of this Business.

Ordered that the Aldn of the 2d 3d & 4th Wards be a Committee to enquire into the State of the Butchers Standings in the public Markets and to report such Reform on the Subject as may be proper.

[407] Ordered that the Aldn of the 1st & 6th Wards & the Assistt of the 4th Ward be a Committee to obtain from the Representatives of Casimer Th: Gœrick decd* late one of the City Surveyors such Maps Minutes & Papers as may be of public Use.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed firemen of this City vizt

Engine No 13 John Van Der Bilt Grocer & Caleb Horton Grocer vice James Woodhull & Richd J Beekman decd

Engine No 15 Samuel Willson, Millstonemaker vice Matthew Mc-Guire decd

Engine No 17 Edward Higgins Painter & Wm Goodman, Grocer vice Wm DeGrove & James Bertine decd

Engine No 24 Fred: Rydebach Cabt Maker vice John Taylor decd

Thomas Earle Coach Maker vice John Borris for neglect of Duty & John West Carpenter vice Abm Corey decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

		£ : s : d
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursements.....	21:10: 3
issd	The Justices of the £10 Court.....	$240
issd	Joseph Little for Repairs to the Common Sewer & a Well in Roosevelt Street.....	£3: 2:—
issd	Cornrs B Sebring for Blacksmith Work to fire Engines..	£18: 1: 5
issd	George Gosman for Mason Work at the City Hall.....	£4:19:—

[408] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 3d 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert Richard Furman John B Coles Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

Lawrence Benson an Assessor for Harlem Division elected at the late Election in the 7th Ward appeared & took & subscribed the Oath prescribed by the Charter.

A Letter from Mr Mangin one of the City Surveyors on the Sub-

* Marginal note reads *of the late prevailing Malignant Fever.*—Ed.

ject of the Contract, entered into by him & Mr Gœrick decd, to make a Survey & Map of this City was read & referred to the Street Comtee

A Letter from Nichs J Roosevelt on the Subject of supplying this City with Water; was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject.

A Letter from Charles W Peale proposing to sell to this Board his patent Right of erecting Chimnies & fire Places according to his newly invented Plan, [409] within the Limits of this City was read & referred to the Members of the Health Committee to make the purchase if they shall judge it reasonable & useful for the benefit of the Inhabitants of this City.

The Bd approve that Wm Meyers be licensed as a Butcher to standing No 5 in the Exchange Market; And that the Resignation of Halsey Mead Butcher at standing No 9 Fly Market be accepted.

A Letter from Cornls Ray Loan Officer, informing of his return to this City and that he was ready to lay the Loan Office Books before the Bd to shew that they are conformable to the Acct exhibited on the first Tuesday in October last, was read And the Board assigned 12 O'Clock on Wednesday the 12 Inst for the Purpose

Ordered that David Love be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal in the place of Robt Dougall during his Indisposition.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	David Waldron on Acct	$500
issd	The Commissrs of the Health Office for Ballce of their Acct	£ : s : d 399: 8:11
issd	Jacob Harsen for Repairs to the public Roads	782:15: 6
issd	[410] Latham Bunker for lamp Oil	1035^{85}/_{100}$
issd	John Halsey for 2 fire Engines	1799^{83}/_{100}$
issd	Provo & Smith for cleans Wells	£5: 6:—
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£88:17:10
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£69: 5: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£90: 3: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 12th day of Decr 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
John B Coles
Jotham Post
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Jacob De LaMontagnie
} Esqrs Ald.

Wm Bayard
Nichs Carmer
Mangle Minthorne
George Lindsay
} Assistts

*Evert Bancker & Cornelius Ray Esqrs Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes & Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers And this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes & Accts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed & required.

[411] A Petition of Danl Tooker to sink a Cistern partly in the Street was & read & granted to be done under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assist of the Wd

A Letter from Judge Cooper of Otsego County proposing on a Contract to lay Pipes in the Streets to convey Water through this City was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

From a Report of the Commissrs of the Alms House it appears that several Persons have been brought to this City from Norfolk in a Vessel called the Voluntier Dickson Master & landed without having been reported according to Law and some of them are already become a public Charge.

Ordered that the said Master be proceeded agt according to Law.

Ordered that Enoch Carter 4th Wd Painter be a fireman to Hook & Ladder Compy No 1 vice James Shotwell who has joined an Engine Compy

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Bernard Oblenis Clk of Police Office.....	62^{50}/_{100}$
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to Pumps.....	£8:10:—
issd	Willet Seaman & Sons for Blankets for Prisoners in Bridewell	£65: 3:—
issd	Van Wyck & Phillips for Gun Powder on the 25th Novr last	160^{51}/_{100}$
issd	Edward Bardin for a public Dinner on that Day.....	£41:15:—
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6

* Marginal note reads *Vide Minutes of last Meeting & of 2d of Octr last.* —Ed.

issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Provo & Smith for cleaning &c Wells.....	£51:16:—
issd	John Day Jur for Repairs to Common Sewer Roosevelt St	£2: 1: 4

[412] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr the 17th 1798.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman, John B Coles, Richard Furman, John Bogert, Jotham Post, Jacob De LaMontagnie } Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, George Lindsay, Philip J Arcularius } Assistts

A Petition of William Forrest Master of the Ship Nancy praying Relief against a Prosecution commenced against him by order of this Board for bringing to & landing in this City a number of Emigrant Passengers from Ireland was read & referred to Aldn Coles & G. Furman & Mr Bayard to enquire into & to order such Relief in the Premisses as to them shall seem meet.

A Letter from Mr Mangin one of the City Surveyors was read relative to a demand made on him by Mr Loss the Engineer Surveyor for the use of the unfinished Survey & Plan of this City which he & Mr Gœrick decd contracted to make for the use of this Board; Which Demand the Board considered improper: But directed that Mr Loss be allowed the use of the Survey Maps in the Clerks Office of the Water Lots on the East & Hudson Rivers.

[413] A Letter from Charles W Peal with papers enclosed relative to his new invented fire Places & Chimnies was read; which together with a Miniature Construction of fire Places & Chimnies were ordered to be filed & deposited in the Clerks Office Whereupon the Committee on that Subject reported that they had agreed on behalf of this Board to take an Assignment of Mr Peale's patent Right of erecting those Chimnies & fire Places in this City & County & to pay him therefor five hundred Dollars; which was approved by the Bd

Ordered that John Stagg be appointed a Commissioner of the Alms House & Bridewell in the place of Richard Lawrence decd

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men in this City vizt

Hook & Ladder Compy No 1	Saml L Page Junr 1st Wd Repacker of Beef & Pork vice Garrit De Bow resigned
Engine No 2.	James Jarvis 7th Ward Shoemaker vice Jesse Donaldson resigned

Engine N° 11. Matthew Somerindike 2d Wd Grocer & Abraham Egbert 1st Wd Carpenter vice Abm Ten Eyck & Richd Ham resigned.

Engine N° 21. John Bedient Wd Mercht vice Ernest Aubeck resigned & John Webb 3d Wd Grocer vice Caleb Haviland decd

[414] Engine N° 12. Andrew Morrell 5th Wd Mason & Thomas Willets 2d Wd Iron Monger vice Jacob Doty & Saml Mitchell decd

Engine N° 13. John Murphy 4th Wd Cooper vice Isaac Van Dyck Cabt Maker decd

Engine N° 18 Cornul Ferris 3d Ward Grocer Gerardus Post 3d Wd— Painter & Benjamin Mowatt 3d Wd Mercht vice Albert Ryckman resigned & Aaron White & Matthew Van Zandt decd

The following Report was read & approved by the Board vizt

The Committee appointed to investigate the Subject of supplying the City of New York with Water.

Report: That being impressed with the Importance of the Subject they have considered it with all the care and attention in their Power and incline to the Opinion that the Bronx River will afford a copious supply of pure and wholesome Water—They incline also to think that the Plan suggested by Doctor Joseph Brown for conveying the Waters of that River, is with some few variations, the most eligible that can be adopted. But as any Mistakes in the Plan or Conduct of the Business may be attended with incalculable Mischief, they would [415] recommend that Mr Weston who has been the Engineer for the Canal Companies in this State and whose abilities are well known, be requested to examine that River with the situation of the Grounds to be employed in the Aqueduct and such other Matters incident to the supply of the City with pure & wholesome Water from that or any other Source as he may think proper and that he be requested to report his Opinion to the Corporation with the requisite Plans & Estimates as soon as may be practicable.

Your Committee further report that they have considered the several Modes which have been suggested for the execution, either by Individuals or by the Corporation, of the Plan that may be finally adopted. They are sensible that each of these Methods, is attended with Difficulties But considering the immense Importance of the Subject to the Comfort & Health of their fellow Citizens, that it will not be undertaken by a Company unless upon the Prospect of considerable Gain; and that such Gain must be acquired at the Expence of the City your Committee have at length agreed that the Undertaking ought to be [416] pursued by and under the Controul of the Corporation as the immediate Representatives of the Citizens in general Under this

Impression and to avoid any further delays which may arise unless Measures are taken to prevent pecuniary Embarrassments and other Difficulties in the Course of the Business Your Committee would recommend That an Act be prepared & presented to the Legislature, investing the Corporation with the Powers necessary to effect the great End they have in view and granting them the Monies arising from the Tax upon Sales at Auction in the said City with such further Aid as the Legislature may think proper to enable them by the Reception thereof or by Loans founded thereon to defray the Expences incident to the Undertaking.
New York 17th Decr 1798

John B Coles
Gabriel Furman
John Bogert
John De La Montagnie

Ordered that Mr Mayor be requested to write to Mr Weston And that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare the Law mentioned in the said Report

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Charles W Peale for his patent Right of erects Chimnies & fire Places.....	$500
issd	Hugh Montgomery for paving at Burlings Slip.....	£35: 4: 8
issd	[417] Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$600
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of Decr 1798.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Gabriel Furman, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Richard Furman, John Bogert, Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assists: Anthony Brown, Thomas Storm, Mangle Minthorn, George Lindsay, William Bayard, Nicholas Carmer, Philip J Arcularius

A circular Letter from a Committee in Philadelphia on the subject of an Application to Congress for a more efficient Quarantine Law was read And thereupon Aldn Coles & Gabl Furman & Mr Bayard were appointed a Committee to confer with a Comtee of the Chamber of

Commerce and to join with them in such Measures on the subject of the said Letter as they may deem necessary & proper.

[418] The Treasurer presented the follow[g] Estimate of Monies to be raised by Tax to defray the Expences of this City the ensuing Year which [was] read examined & approved by the Board viz[t]

Estimate of the Expences of the City & County of New York for the Year 1799

	Doll[s]	
Alms House. Support of the Poor therein	37,500	
Bridewell do do	6,250	43,750
Roads repairing the Old & Compleating the New	7,500	
Streets. Improving & Repairing	7,500	
Support of Criminals in Prison	3,750	18,750
Fees for Collecting Taxes, City Treasurers Commission & Insolvents defecient in the years 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797 & 1798 not provided for by Law	13,750	
City & County Contingent Expences	18750	32,500
Amount of City & County Charges	Doll[s]	95,000
Watch. Culbertson & Lawrence for their Compan[s] of the lower Watch and Additional Men	11,250	
do Gobell & Beekman's upper Watch	8,750	
do Goal Bridewell &. other Extra Stands	2,500	22,500
Lamps Supplying 1100 with Oil Including the Bridewell, Watch Houses and other Public Buildings	16,250	
Lighting and Cleaning	3,750	
Superintending New Lamps & repairing Old	2,000	
Wells and Pumps	2,500	
Deficiencies in the years 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797 & 1798 as above Stated for the City and County	5,000	
City Contingent Expences	3,000	32,500
Amount of City Charges	Doll[s]	55,000

New York Decem[r] 24 1798 Dan[l] Phœnix City Treas[r]

Ordered that a Copy of the said Estimate under the Seal of this Corporation be delivered to the Members from this City in the Legislature [419] with a Request that they obtain a Law for raising the Monies mentioned in the said Estimate by a Tax on this City & County.

The Street Commiss[r] reported on the Acc[t] of Evert Bancker Jun[r]

Surveyor and the said Acct was audited and it passed the Bd accordingly.

Ordered that the Comtee appointed to confer with the Comtee of Chamber of Commerce on the subject of Quarantine, examine the Health Office Law & report such Amendments as they shall deem necessary.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare & report such Amendments to the Law for the support & maintenance of the Poor as may be necessary.

Ordered that 500 Copies of the Proceedings of this Board together with Doctor Browns Memoir on the subject of supplying this City with Water, be printed in Pamphlets.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men to Engine No 16 vizt

John Coddington	4th Wd	Taylor
James Wood	4th Wd	Tinplate Worker
Evert Wenman	4 Wd	Taylor
Peter Dobb	4th Wd	Dock builder
John Vache	4th Wd	Florist

Vice Abm Russell—Peter Maverick—Michael Brooks—& Thos Skinner, resigned & John Fullam deceased.

[420] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Commissrs of the Alms House on Acct to be applied to the Relief of indigent families	$500
issd	David Waldron for Repairs to Roads	£118: 1:11
issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests	£23:14/
issd	The Estate of Casimir Th: Gœrick for Surveys Roads &c	£16:14:—
issd	Evert Bancker for the like (Wt delivd to Aldn Bogert)	£7: 4:—
issd	George Furman for repairs Lamps	£22:10:10
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£88:19: 8
issd	Steenbeck & Heckle for Repairs to a Well in Barley Street	£2:13: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

[421] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 27th Decr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Thomas Storm	Assistts
John B Coles		William Bayard	
Theophs Beekman		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	

A Letter from Dr Richard Bailey Health Officer was read & filed.

Mr Recorder presented, accordg to order, The Bill for raising Monies by Tax to defray the public Expences of this City

The Bill for amendg the Act for the better settlement & support of the Poor

The Bill for supplying this City with pure & wholesome Water. which were respectively read & approved by the Board.

Resolved that Copies of the said three Bills be delivered to the Representatives of this City & County in the Legislature with a Request under the Common Seal that they obtain the passing of the said Bills into Laws.

[422] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 31st day of Decr 1798

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		William Bayard	

Ordered that an Application be made to the Legislature for a Law vesting the Right of Administration on the Estates of all Strangers who may die intestate in this City, in the Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City. And that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare & report to the Bd a Bill for that purpose.

The followg Report was read & agreed to by the Bd vizt

"The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Forrest Report That they have taken into consideration the Prayer thereof And found there was not any Reason to expect that Capt Forrest could give the Security the Committee thought necessary to indemnify the Corporation for the Expences that may be expected to arise in supporting the Passengers he landed here That altho' he was the Owner of the Ship Nancy, others had liens upon her for [423]

nearly her value, they therefore proposed to the said Captain, as a Compromise, that he should pay into the Hands of the City Treasurer one thousand Dollars & give his own Bond to the Treasurer for two thousand Dollars; conditioned that he would pay any further Sum more than the thousand Dollars that may be by the Corporation expended for the support of any of the Passengers he brought here in the Ship Nancy—In conformity to this Proposition Capt Forrest has settled: giving his Note endorsed by John H Thompson payable in six Months for the one thousand Dollars

Decr 31st 1798

Jno B. Coles
Gabriel Furman
William Bayard

On reading an Acct of the expenditure of the 50,000 Dollars provided by this Bd for the Defence of this Port & City with a Report thereon written subscribed by Aldn Coles, G Furman & Bogert the Committee of this Bd & Major Genl Hamilton & Colo Stevens wherein they solicit of this Bd to provide the further Sum of 10,000 Dollars to pay off the pressing Demands for unsettled Accts not doubting that the Legislature will provide for the repayment thereof.

Resolved that Aldn Gabriel Furman be authorized on behalf of this Board to [424] draw from the Bank of New York such further Sums as may be necessary for the above purpose not exceeds 10,000 Dollars.

Ordered that Aldn G Furman Coles & De La Montagnie be a Committee to consider of & report to the Bd a suitable annual Allowance to the Recorder for his various Services performed & to be performed for this Board.

Ordered that the Treasurer prepare a Book or List shewing all the real Property belonging to this Corporation with the annual Rent of each including Quit Rents reserved on Water Lots Ferries & other Things producing a Revenue.

Ordered that the Treasr be directed not to let the Corner House at the City Hall for the ensuing Year.

Ordered that Stephen Hustace of the 2d Wd Grocer be appointed a Fire Man to Hook & Ladder Company No 1 vice Robert B Debow decd And Benjamin Gilmore of the 4th Wd Cordwainer to Hook & Ladder Company No 2 vice John Throgmorton decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Wm Hardenbrook for repairs Lamps.....	£12: 6:—
issd	The same for the fire Engine Departmt.....	£211:14: 5
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of Police Office.....	$62 50/100

[425] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 7th day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	Assistts
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	
Gabriel Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman			

Mr Recorder presented to the Board a Bill for vesting in the Treasurer or Chamberlain the Right of administration on the Estates of Strangers dying in this City intestate; which was read & approved by the Board And it was ordered that a Petition to the Legislature be prepared praying that the said Bill be passed into a Law—that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Isaac Stoutenburgh one of the Persons appointed to the Office of Commissr of Streets having declined to execute the Office, the Board took into consideration; Whether [426] one Commissioner was not sufficient to do that Business and it was determined in the Affirmative.

Whereupon it was determined that Richard Furman Esqr the other Commissioner be the sole Commissioner of Streets & Roads and that he be allowed for his Services at the rate of five hundred Dollars per annum. Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 1st Ward.....	£80: 3: 7
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

[427] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer	Assistts
John B Coles		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jacob DeLa Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		William Bayard	
Theophs Beekman			

A Letter from Mr Weston in answer to the Letter written to him by Mr Mayor on the subject of supplying this City with Water was

read He informs the Board that he will repair to this City as soon as possible and engage in the Business.

On a suggestion that in consequence of a Report that this Bd had called out of circulation the Notes issued by this Board as a substitute for small change many of the Citizens refused to receive them in payment.

Ordered that the Clerk publish in the News papers a Notification to contradict the Report

On an application of Dr Wm Burrell

Ordered that he be premitted to give Lectures in the great Court Room in the City Hall on the subject of Epidemics and Contagion.

[428] On reading a Petition of Robert Lilburn the Board agree to sell him the Piece of the Common Lands which lies between his Land and that of Thomas Buchanan on an appraised value when the boundary Line of the Land sold to Mr Buchanan shall be ascertained & settled.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	John Furman for printing the proceedgs of this Bd and Dr Browne's Memoir on supplying this City with Water	£17:17:—
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps in the 2d Ward....	£47:19: 9

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of Jany 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		George Lindsay	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	

[429] On the Request of Mrs Catharine Turnbull Ordered that the Treasurer pay off her Bond of $700 agt this Bd

Ordered that a Memorial signed by Mr Mayor with the Common Seal affixed thereto be presented to the Legislature praying that provision be made for repaying the $60,000 provided by this Board towards the fortifications lately erected for the Defence of this City.

A Letter from John Kortright of Harlem covering a Release of a parcel of Ground purchased by himself & others of Elizabeth Waldron

& John Waldron to open a Road of twenty feet wide from the Post Road to Meuttie Davids Vly on Hudsons River was read & referred to the Road Commiss^{r}—At the same time the Board direct that the Parties be informed that a Road of less than 60 feet wide cannot be accepted & worked at the public Expence.

M^{r} Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had received, dated in Albany the 16th Instant & subscribed by Elias Nexsen as Chairman of a Committee composed of the Members in the House of Assembly from this City & to whom was committed the Estimate (agreed to by this Board on the 24th Dec^{r} last) of the Monies which would be required to be raised by Tax for defraying [430] the public Expences of this City & County the present Year; which was read & referred to Ald^{n} G Furman & Coles & M^{r} Bayard, with the Aid of M^{r} Mayor & M^{r} Recorder.

The following Report of the joint Committees of this Board, of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Medical Society & of the Commissioners of the Health Office was read & referred to Ald^{n} Coles & G Furman & M^{r} Bayard & ordered to be printed. (vide annexed printed Paper)

CITY OF NEW YORK, *ss.*

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At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of January, 1799

The following REPORT was read and ordered to be published, for the information of the public, viz.

WE the Subscribers, a joint Committee from the Common Council, from the Chamber of Commerce, and from the Medical Society, with the Commissioners of the Health Office, being appointed to investigate the causes of the PESTILENTIAL DISEASE which has lately prevailed in this City, and to suggest the best means to prevent its return —respectfully submit the following

REPORT.

Among the more obvious causes which contributed to produce the Disease, and the means of preventing its return—are,

I. *Deep Damp Cellars and Filthy Sunken Yards.*

A number of such Cellars in different parts of the City, and particularly along the East River, are used for sailor's boarding places and tippling shops, and during the last summer proved as so many graves to those who frequented them; and many yards are so situated as that the water, and fluids of all other kinds collecting therein, are

not carried off by drains either over or under ground, thus becoming a source of noxious exhalations:

The Committee, therefore, recommend that a law may be passed authorizing any person or persons, for that purpose appointed by the Corporation, to enter into any buildings and grounds suspected to be in the state beforementioned—that a report thereof may be made to them and that they may be furnished with power to pass ordinances for the filling up, draining and regulating of such grounds, yards and cellars; and, in case such ordinances are not complied with, to cause the same to be done by persons appointed for that purpose, the expense of which to be considered as a claim upon such property prior to all others whatsoever—And in cases where there are more than one lot of ground affected by such regulations and filling up, that five freeholders be appointed to assess upon each of such lots, such proportion of the said expense as equity and good conscience may dictate to them.

II. UNFINISHED WATER LOTS.

There is good reason to conclude that the unfinished state of the water lots upon the front of the city, contribute to produce disease: The Corporation ought therefore to have full power to cause all such water lots to be filled up with wholesome earth or other solid materials, to the outermost permanent line, as soon as possible. And in cases where the Corporation find it improper to improve to the said permanent line immediately, they ought to have the power of compelling proprietors to make sufficient bulkheads, and to raise and fill up the same with wholesome earth or other solid materials, so high as to cast the water collecting thereon, over the surface into the streets or river; and if the proprietor or proprietors of such lot or lots, refuse or delay complying with any ordinances that the Corporation may pass relative to either of the above cases; then and in that case, the Corporation ought to have the power of causing the same to be done in the manner that improvements are now made in the streets by assessment.

III. PUBLIC SLIPS.

The quantity of noxious air arising from foul slips, and the annoyance thereby experienced among the inhabitants in their vicinity, makes it necessary that some measures should be taken to correct this increasing evil. The Corporation therefore ought to have full power to cause to be filled up, altered and amended, all public slips, at such times and in such manner as they may think proper; one third of the expenses attending the same to be paid by themselves, and two thirds to be

assessed by five freeholders appointed for that purpose, upon the property in the neighbourhood of such slip or slips, in proportion to the benefits the respective proprietors thereof may receive.

IV. SINKS AND PRIVIES.

The noxious exhalations arising from sinks and privies in this city, have afforded just cause of complaint, and require that the Corporation should have power to correct this growing evil, by directing the filling up, altering or amending of those now in use, and the mode of constructing them in future; and causing subterraneous drains to be made from them in all cases where they may think it necessary; the expense thereof to be paid by assessment upon the proprietors in the manner that assessments are made for improving streets.

V. BURIAL GROUNDS.

The interment of dead bodies in the compact part of the city, between the first of May and the first of November, should be prohibited; and all graves should in future be dug at least six feet deep.

VI. NARROW STREETS.

It is found that new streets are frequently laid out in various parts of this city and its suburbs, so narrow as to prevent the free circulation of air: and that the borders of such streets are generally crouded with small wooden houses, with very small, and in some cases, no yards. It is therefore desirable, that in future, no street should be laid out within the city of New York or its suburbs, but such as shall be first approved of by the Corporation. Experience has shewn, that during the prevalence of pestilence in this city, it has proved particularly fatal in such streets.

VII. SAILORS BOARDING HOUSES AND TIPLING HOUSES.

These are the resort of sailors and the lower class of emigrants, and other disorderly persons; where drunkeness and debaucheries of every kind are committed, which often produce diseases of the most serious nature, especially during the summer months. Every necessary power to correct this evil, ought to be lodged in the Corporation.

VIII. DIGGING UP MADE GROUND.

The ground gained out into the river being composed in a great measure, of materials collected from the streets, is found, if dug up between the first of June and the twentieth of October, to produce

noxious exhalations: It is therefore recommended that no such ground be permitted to be dug up, during the above period, without permission first obtained from the Corporation, under heavy penalties.

IX. PUTRID SUBSTANCES,

Whether Animal or Vegetable.

The practice of re-packing and storing salted provisions in the city of New York, very much annoys the inhabitants in the vicinity of yards and store-houses where such re-packing and storing is done; and there is no doubt that the pickle necessarily collected upon, and absorbed into all grounds where provisions are repacked, together with provisions themselves very often becoming putrid in the course of the hot season, have furnished exhalations not only calculated to spread diseases, but from the most unequivocal evidence, did produce it in the course of the last season. Dried and pickled fish, hides and skins, are articles that produce similar injury; for although these, as well as pickled provisions, may be in a sound state at the time of landing here, (which very often is not the case) yet, in the course of the hot season, they frequently become putrid, the first baneful evidence of which, is the sickly state of the inhabitants in their vicinity. THEREFORE, all salted beef and pork in casks, all dried and pickled fish, and imported hides and skins, now in the city, ought to be removed to the northward of a line drawn from Corlaer's Hook to the North River, before the first day of May next: and no barrels of beef or pork, no [s]alted or pickled fish, nor imported hides and skins, should be stored to the southward of the said line after that time, except that any person be allowed to keep in a proper store, five barrels of beef and pork, three barrels of pickled fish, and four hundred weight of dried fish at any time, and no more under the penalty of for every offence—And all beef and pork found by the Inspectors in a tainted or corrupted state, and unfit for use or exportation, ought to be destroyed by starting it out of the cask into the stream of the river, at a suitable distance from shore: and the stores or houses of inspection ought not to be permitted on the south side of a line drawn from the East River along Grand Street and Bayard's Lane, North River, except on the margin of the Rivers, and then not on the south of Rhinelander's wharf, north of Reed street, nor of Rutger's slip on the East River.

X. WATER.

In suggesting the means of removing the causes of pestilential diseases, we consider a plentiful supply of fresh water as one of the

most powerful, and earnestly recommend that some plan for its introduction into this city, be carried into execution as soon as possible.

XI. TENTS.

Considering the many lives of the poor class of citizens, which might in all probability have been saved in the summer past, if an adequate number of Tents had been provided and pitched in the neighborhood of this city as an asylum for them, and that, for want of this, or some other shelter, they were obliged to remain in the seat of disease, and meet the fate with which they were threatened: the Committee are of opinion, that the providing of a number of Tents, sufficient for the accommodation of five thousand persons, and placing them in a situation from which they may be had on the shortest notice, is a measure dictated by the soundest policy and prudence. The first apparent expense of this object may be very much lessened by connecting it with the establishment contemplated for an army.

The joint Committee think proper to submit this report to the Corporation of the city, with an expression of their regret, that the reforms contemplated in it, must necessarily be productive of much inconvenience to many of their fellow citizens. On this subject, however, they do not hesitate to declare, that while they have been earnestly and anxiously employed in suggesting measures, in their opinion calculated to promote the public good, they have, as far as was consistent with the nature of their researches, been extremely cautious of interfering with the interests of individuals. With these impressions they express their hopes, that if the Corporation does not already possess sufficient authority to carry into effect the regulations enumerated, they will make an early application to the legislature for such additional powers as may be required for the purpose, and to afford a very summary mode of proceeding for any offences against their Bye Laws.

They further state, that in this report they have confined themselves entirely to such objects as respect the health of the present and future inhabitants of this populous and growing city: not having permitted the pleasures and conveniences of life to influence this report, if they had it would have been much enlarged.

They are aware that they have recommended great and strong power to be vested in the Corporation; but they do not believe any thing short of it will restore this city to its former healthy state. The sources of the afflicting pestilence with which we have been visited, are of too local a nature, to expect their removal without a strong

discretionary power being somewhere lodged by the State Legislature; and we know not where it can be so properly placed, as in the hands of the immediate representatives of the city, who already have the police of it committed to them, and with which the proposed reform is very intimately connected.

New York, 21st Jan, 1799.

Commissioners of Health.
JOHN OOTHOUT,
JACOB ABRAMSE,
RICHARD BAILEY,

Committee of the Medical Society.
JOHN R. B. RODGERS,
JAMES TILLARY,
SAMUEL L. MITCHELL.

Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.
GULIAN VERPLANCK,
CORNELIUS RAY,
M. ROGERS,

Committee of the Corporation.
JOHN B. COLES,
GABRIEL FURMAN,
WM. BAYARD,
WM. HAMERSLY.

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Common Council,
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A Petition for regulating Lombard S^{t} was read & referred to the Street Commiss^{r}

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Theoph^{s} Beekman & Jacob DeLa Montagnie Police Justices each 187^{50}/_{100}$	$375
iss^{d}	Office of Mercantile Advertizer	$50
iss^{d}	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles	£2:17: 6
iss^{d}	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to public Pumps	£65:16:—
iss^{d}	Archibald Dunlap for the like	£8: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Rob^{t} Valentine for an additional Building at Belle Vue Hospital	£445:14: 2

[431] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of Janʸ 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor
Richard Harison Esqʳ Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
John B Coles
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Theophˢ Beekman
John Bogert
} Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ

William Bayard
Mangle Minthorn
Nichˢ Carmer
George Lindsay
Anthony Brown
} Assistᵗˢ

The Committee to whom was referred the Letter from Elias Nexsen & read at the last Meeting of the Bᵈ reported a Letter to be written by Mʳ Mayor in answer thereto which was read & approved by the Board.

Ordered that John Wheeler of the 2ᵈ Ward Cooper be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Compʸ Nº 1 vice John Thomson resigned.

Ordered that a Recommendation from this Board to the Inhabitants of this City be published for the observance of Tuesday the 5th day of february next as a Day of [432] Thanksgiving, Humiliation and Prayer as recommended by the Clergy of this City.

The following additional Report was received & read & ordered to be published (vide annexed printed Paper).

SUPPLEMENT TO THE COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER.*

Tuesday, February 12, 1799. *No.* 19.

The following additional REPORT has been received by the COMMON COUNCIL *since the publication of the last, and ordered to be published.*

WE the subscribers, a joint Committee from the Common Council, from the Chamber of Commerce, and from the Medical Society, with the Commissioners of the Health Office being appointed to investigate the causes of the PESTILENTIAL DISEASE which has lately prevailed in this city, and to suggest the best means to prevent its return—respectfully submit the following

REPORT:

That the sources producing it are filthy sunken yards, where the offals of the house and wash of kitchens be until the earth absorbs or

* Through the courtesy of the New York Historical Society, which has a copy of this Supplement among its possessions, this report is printed here. The clerk included the Supplement in the manuscript volume, but that copy has become mutilated.—ED.

the sun exhales them—lengthy sewers without floors, and of little descent—foul slips exposed to the sun great part of the tides—decayed docks out of repair—vacant water lots—ground under stores and houses built on piles or timber, and running bare part of the tides; these are generally receptacles of every description of impurity and carrion.

They suggest as the most likely means under the blessing of a Beneficient Providence, to prevent the annual return of so dreadful a calamity—

FIRST.

Strong energetic laws, compelling delinquents to pay their fines for omissions or transgressions, immediately on the evidence of the Inspectors, who ought to be discreet men, at a reasonable pay, and removeable for inattention or malpractice at pleasure. Experience has sufficiently taught, that the tedious formalities of ordinary law-suits will by no means answer even the purposes of cleansing the streets and gutters—inconveniences which have been severely felt and strongly represented.

II.

Accumulations of the filth of winter, ought by all means to be removed as soon as the frost will admit; first to prevent substances from penetrating as the ground opens—and secondly, for the spring winds to pass over a clean instead of a filthy surface; and to be continued every succeeding Tuesday and Friday before eight o'clock in the morning, during the season; for which purpose it appears most adviseable to employ, at the public expense, a sufficient number of carts and craft to remove the surplusage above the quantity immediately sold and carried to the country to such places of deposit as can be procured, remote from settled neighborhoods—and that a sufficient number of bell-carts be employed in each ward to ring for notice at every —— yards distance, on every day of the week, except on Sunday, and to receive and carry away all the filth, offals and garbage of families.

And house-keepers neglecting to deliver their refuse matter shall be fined forty shillings, and the cartmen refusing to receive it, shall be fined ten shillings for every offence.

III.

As a number of cellars in different parts of the town, and particularly along the East River, are used for sailor's boarding places, and during the last summer proved as so many graves; that the Common

Council be authorized and required to cause such cellars, and all yards in a sunken and exceptionable condition to be so filled and raised as to render them as healthy as possible—and to cause all sunken and unfinished lots in the city to be so regulated as to cast the water into the streets, and where houses are not furnished with drains or gutters for this purpose, that the proprietors be compelled to provide suitable ones without delay

IV.

Descents in streets ought by all means to be made where it is possible, with a view of getting them thoroughly washed by every fall of rain. The dead level between the Coffee house and Fly market in Water street, where the water remains in the kennel, which in twelve hours corrupts and produces poisonous exhalations, may be remedied by raising at Mr. Waddington's store, so much as will give it a run, east to the Fly market, west to Wall street, and south to the end of Pine street. By this single improvement, five streets, including Pearl, get a descent; and many other such evils of stagnant water may be removed with equal ease. Without descents, water instead of contributing to cleanse and purify, will only increase the present evil by stagnating in greater quantities.

V.

That common sewers in every part of the city ought to be projected on such an inclined plain, as shall more readily allow the fluids they convey, to run off, and that they be floored with pitch pine plank, or other smooth materials, and that their openings be kept as nearly closed as circumstances allow, to prevent the rise of noxious exhalations—And that a decent person be appointed to inspect and cleanse those sewers, at least once in every ten days, between the first day of April, and first of November, in every year, at a reasonable pay for his services, and to be responsible for their cleanliness.

VI.

All slips ought to be filled, except such as the Corporation shall deem indispensibly necessary for the accommodation of market and produce craft [and for the protection and shelter of vessels in winter.] The docks in front of such ought to be altered, repaired and made, from time to time as occasion shall require, with large square timber substantially strong, and in the manner of the work of the Battery—And that each slip retained for those purposes, shall, in the lowest ebb-tides. contain not less than two feet water in the shallowest part—and

that all deepenings or digging out, shall cease by the 15th of May, and not commence before the 1st November—And, if the machines in use be insufficient, the number of proper vessels ought to be so increased as to perform this service in that time. When the proprietors of houses and lots fronting or adjoining, refuse or neglect to make or repair them, the Corporation ought to have it done without delay, the expense to be a lien on such estates, and an immediate recovery had against it by sale or otherwise. And such slips as shall remain when the permanent front of the city wharves and piers is completed, ought then to be filled with wholesome earth—one third of the expense to be paid by the Corporation, and the remaining two thirds, by the proprietors of adjacent houses—and the monies levied and collected in the manner now practised for digging out and levelling streets, by assessment.

VII.

Heavy fines should be imposed on boatmen and all other watermen, for casting the rubbish of their cargoes into any of the slips or docks, and on every inhabitant for similar offences.

VIII.

All water lots, ought to be filled up with wholesome earth and other solid materials to the outermost permanent line, before the of next; and if the proprietor neglect or refuse to do it, persons ought to be employed for the purpose by the Corporation, and the expense arising to be a lien on the property of each individual in a just proportion. And where the Corporation find it improper to improve to the said line immediately, they ought to have the power of compelling proprietors to make sufficient bulkheads in front of the lots, and to raise and fill such part with wholesome earth or other solid materials, so high as to cast the water over the surface into the streets or river; and in case of refusal or neglect, to appoint a suitable person to carry the improvement deemed necessary into immediate effect, at the expense of the proprietors, and have a remedy against them respectively for the amount of the expense and interest, by sale or otherwise, within six months.

IX.

All salted beef and pork in casks, all dried and pickled fish, and all imported hides and skins, now in the city, ought to be removed to the northward of a line drawn from above Corlaer's hook to the North River, before the first day of May next; and no barrels of beef or pork, no salted or pickled fish, nor imported hides, and skins, should

be stored to the southward of the said line, after that time; except that any person be allowed to keep in a proper store, five barrels of beef and pork, three barrels of pickled fish, and four hundred weight of dried fish, at any one time, and no more, under the penalty of for every offence. And all beef and pork found by the inspectors in a tainted or corrupted state, and unfit for use or exportation, ought to be destroyed by starting it out of the cask into the stream of the river, at a suitable distance from shore. And the stores or houses of inspection ought not to be permitted on the south side of a line drawn from the East river along Grand-street and Bayard's Lane to the North river, except on the margin of the rivers, and then not on the south of Rhinelander's wharf north of Reed-street, nor of Rutger's slip on the East river.

X.

Between the first of June, and first of October, no fresh meats or dead fish of any kind, ought to be offered for sale, nor permitted to remain in the public markets after ten o'clock in the morning, except on Saturdays, and that no undressed sheep's heads, or trotters nor hides be brot to market at any time of the year.

XI.

The Common Council ought also to have the power to prohibit all slaughter-houses, and killing of cattle or sheep or calves, on the south side of a line, to be drawn across from the East river along Grand-street and Bayard's lane to the North river, and also to assign stations for all fishing vessels and smacks remote from the foul water, where the living fish may be kept healthy, and the dead ones thrown into the stream, without annoyance to the public.

XII.

No crude or rough butcher's fat ought to be tried in town. No glue manufactured—no sheep, lamb, or deer skins, brot or manufactured—no blubber stored—no hatter's dye stuff cast into the street at any time whatever—nor any oysters brot or opened in town from the first of May to the first of October.

XIII.

Pitching, leveling and repairing the streets and side-walks to be performed by commissioners specially appointed in Common Council for these objects, who shall cause the same to be done without delay: and if the owner or proprietor refuses payment of the expense, it shall

be a lien on his property, and sold within six months at vendue—the cost or sum assessed with interest and charges to be deducted out of the proceeds, and the remainder, if any, to be paid to the owner or proprietor.

XIV.

No old wharves shall be broken up, nor any cellars, cisterns or sinks dug out, for making or repairing either, on the south side of the town, south of the north side of Water street, between the first of June and twentieth of October, under the penalty of £20 for each offence—And all dirt, rubbish, or decayed materials, taken out before and after the respective times mentioned, and put in the streets, &c. shall be removed on the same day; and where the proprietor or occupant shall refuse or neglect, it shall be the duty of the street inspectors to cause it forthwith to be removed at his or her expense, and be allowed an immediate recovery for such expense in addition to the ordinary fine. And that no sand, brick, lime, clay or other materials for building or repairing, shall be brot or deposited in any of the streets, without permission in writing is first obtained from the alderman of the ward, under the penalty of ten pounds for each offence; and the commissioners of the Health Office, shall, on the same day, be notified of the grant of such permission, and at the expiration of the time limited, the owner shall be as amenable to the laws respecting streets, as other citizens.

XV.

All empty carts, hackney coaches, or sleds for hire, standing in any of the streets, squares, or on wharves, south of Pearl and Cherry streets, or west of Greenwich street, shall, after the law is published, be arranged one behind another, five feet distant from the kennels on each side, and take up towards the respective mentioned streets, so as to make foot passengers on the side-walks safe from vicious horses, leaving the middle part of such street, and the kennels free and open for cleansing. And if any cart, coach or sled is found to stand across such street, &c. the owner or driver shall pay as a fine, the sum of ten shillings for each offence.

XVI.

No cartman shall ride shavings, litter or straw, nor the last otherwise than in sheaves or bundles without a tight box of four feet high, and six feet long, without licence for the same; and every cartman riding either of those articles without such box, shall forfeit and pay as a fine ten shillings for each and every load; and that no joiner,

carpenter nor cooper, plane boards, plank, joice or other timber, nor shave any shingles, staves, heading or hoops, on any of the side walks or streets, under the penalty of twenty shillings for every offence.

XVII.

Every inhabitant feeding a cow, horse or hog, on any of the side walks or streets, shall pay a fine of twenty shillings for each offence.

XVIII.

Goods of whatever kind brought into Wall street, whether below or above Pearl street, or any other square or public street of the city, for sale, shall be removed before five o'clock in the evening of the same day, under the penalty of three pounds for each neglect—and if not removed by that hour, it shall be the duty of the street inspector, to employ carts and convey the same to the Alms-House or Bridewell yards, and on the following day to sell the same, and return the owner the overplus if any there be, after deducting all charges.

The open space between Water street and the head of the Old Slip, is recommended as a proper place for the sale of ship's tackle and materials, earthen ware in crates, hogsheads or bulk, and every other place for the sale of those articles at auction, whether damaged or not, should be prohibited.

All sales of household furniture and dry goods at auction, in the public streets, ought also to be prohibited, except articles sold for the benefit of insurers.

XIX.

That the interment of dead bodies in any church yard in the compact part of the city between the first day of June and the first day of November, ought to be prohibited; and that all graves dug for the reception of dead bodies shall not be less than six feet deep, under the penalty of .

XX.

The noxious exhalations arising from sink and privies in this city have afforded just cause of complaint, and require the interposition and authority of the magistracy to correct the growing evil, and to direct the mode of their construction in future.

XXI.

Taverns, tippling and boarding houses upon the low ground on the East River, are the places of resort for sailors, the lower class of emigrants, and other disorderly persons, where drunkenness and

debaucheries of every kind, are committed, which often produce fevers of the most serious nature, especially during the summer months. This evil ought to be corrected.

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It is found that new streets are frequently laid out by owners of ground in various parts of this city and its suburbs, so narrow as to prevent the free circulation of air; and that the borders of such streets are generally crouded with small wooden houses, with very small, and in some cases, no yards.

It is therefore desirable that in future, no street should be laid out within the city of New-York, but such as shall be first approved of by the Common Council. Experience has shown, that during the prevalence of pestilence in this city, it has proved particularly fatal in such streets.

XXIII.

In suggesting the means of removing the causes of pestilential diseases, we consider a plentiful supply of fresh water as one of the most powerful; and earnestly recommend that some plan for its introduction into this city, be carried into execution as soon as possible.

XXIV.

When we reflect that the lives of many of the poorer class of citizens might in all probability, have been saved during the last summer, if a number of tents had been provided and pitched in the neighborhood of this city as an assylum, and for the want of which or some other shelter, they were obliged to remain in the seat of disease, and meet the fate with which they were threatened, we think it our duty to recommend that a sufficient number be provided to accommodate at least five thousand persons—a provision dictated by sound policy and prudence.

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The committee cannot refrain from transmitting to the Common Council, with the inclosed report, an expression of their regret that the reforms contemplated in it, must necessarily be productive of *mush* [much] inconvenience to many of their fellow citizens. On this subject, however, they are bold in declaring, that while they have been earnestly and anxiously employed in suggesting measures, in their opinion calculated to promote the public good, they have as far as was consistent with the nature of their researches, been extremely cautious of interfering with the interests of individuals.

With these impressions, they express their hopes that if the Common Council do not already possess sufficient authority to carry into effect, the regulations enumerated; that they make an early application to the Legislature for such additional powers as may be required for the purpose.

Read and approved at a general meeting, New-York, 14th January, 1799.

JOHN OOTHOUT,
JACOB ABRAMSE,
RICHARD BAILEY, } *Commissioners of the Health-Office.*

JOHN R. B. ROGERS,
JAMES TILLARY,
SAMUEL L. MITCHILL, } *Committee of the Medical Society.*

GULIAN VER PLANK,
CORNELIUS RAY,
MOSES ROGERS, } *Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.*

JOHN B. COLES,
GABRIEL FURMAN,
WILLIAM BAYARD,
WILLIAM HAMMERSLY } *Committee of the Corporation.*

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ROBERT BENSON, Clk.

New-York, Feb. 4, 1799.

* To be published in the several daily papers every day for one week.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare & report a Law to be passed by the Legislature for investing adequate Powers in this Board relative to the objects in the said Report.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Jacob Morton for Wm Mooney's Acct of Upholsterers Work in the Police Room.....	£3:12: 2
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£90: 9:—
issd	Jacob Sherred for paintg the Barn at Brooklyn ferry Hs	£55: 7: 6
issd	The same for glazing Alms Hs.....	£1:12: 6

A Letter from Charles Wilkes Esqr Cashier of the Bank of New York to Mr Mayor dated the 23d Ulto signifying the Wish of the Board of Directors that Measures be taken as soon as may be convenient to the Corporation, to discharge the Bonds due to the Bank; was read & filed.

[433] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 4th day of February 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	Assists
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles		Nichs Bayard	

Mr Mayor & Mr Recorder with the other Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the expenditures of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House amounts to	£4148: 7: 2
Those of the Bridewell to	1208: 5: 2

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House	£3500:—:—
For the Bridewell	900:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for paymt thereof accordsly

A Letter from Mr Mangin Surveyor on the subject of the Contract to make a Survey & Map of this City was read & referred [to] Aldn G Furman & De La Montagnie

[434] Mr Recorder presented to the Board the Dr of a Bill to be passed by the Legislature to invest this Board with adequate Powers in relation to certain Objects of Importance to the Health of the said City; which was read & approved And Mr Mayor was requested to transmit the same to the Members of this City in the Legislature.

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Nova Scotia without signature on the Causes of pestilential Dissease & the means of Prevention thereof; which was read & the Board supposed that it would be well to have it published.

Ordered that the additional Report of the joint Committees, on the subject of the Causes & Means of preventing the unhealthiness of this City in the hot season of the Year, read at the last Meeting be also published in the News Papers

Mr Mayor informed the Board that Mr Weston, agreable to the Request of this Board, was come to this City to assist this Board with

his Opinion & Advice on the subject of supplying this City with wholesome Water.

Whereupon it was ordered that the Committee on that subject wait upon Mr Weston & communicate to him the Intentions of this Board

[435] A Letter from John P Waldron on the subject of the new Road from the Post Road at Harlem to Meuttie David's Vly on Hudson River; was read & referred to Aldn G Furman & Messrs Bayard & Minthorn.

A Letter from Mr Mangin on the supplying of the City with Water was read & referred to the Committee on that subject

Aldn G. Furman produced to the Board a Warrt from Mr Mayor in favor of Garrit Harsen for £200 in advance on Acct issued on the 3d Septr last which Warrt had not, by reason of the decease of Mr Harsen, been presented to the Treasurer for paymt Whereupon the Bd directed that the said Warrt should be destroyed & the same was destroyed accordingly

An Acct current of the Health Committee of this Bd was presented to the Board audited & filed.

Ordered that Isaac Coddington 6th Wd Carpenter be appointed a fire Man to Engine No vice Francis Parsman who has left the City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Admr of Casimir T Gœrick decd for his Moiety of the 2d payment on the Contract to make a Survey & Map of the City	$500
		£ : s : —
issd	[436] The Admr of Garrit Harsen decd in full for Ballce of his Acct	137 : 11 : 10
issd	The Admr of John Cozine Esqr decd for his Accts of Atty & Counsel Fees	£45 : 13 : —
issd	Provo & Smith for cleans a Well in Eagle Street	5 : 4 : —
issd	Arthur Keefe for watching the Ground & Improvements at the Battery	6 : 17 : —
issd	The Justices of the £10 Court	$456
issd	James Culbertson City Watch	£85 : 4 : 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85 : 4 : 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62 : 2 : 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62 : 2 : 6
issd	John McComb for paving the Angle of Augustus Street	£9 : 9 : 7

[437] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 14th febv 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert
Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Theophs Beekman
} Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard
George Lindsay
Nichs Carmer
Anthony Brown
Mangle Minthorn
} Assists

The Grand Jurors at the late Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace having presented to the Court that Nicholas Lawrence Capt & David Waldron his Assistt of the City Watch had treated John Cross Junr with extreme Inhumanity after *after* he had been apprehended by a Wachman & brought to the Watch House

Ordered that they be notified respectively to attend this Board at 3 O'Clock on Monday afternoon next to answer and that Mr Cross be also notified to attend to substantiate the Charge

A Petition of Alexr Robertson & others Proprietors of Houses & Lots in Barley Street & Ann Street East of Broad Way complaining of the Regulation of those Streets by which they are to be filled up & raised to such heighth as will ruin their Houses.

And a Petition of Philip Ruckle the undertaker of the Work were respectively read & postponed 'till the next Meeting.

[438] Ordered that Aldn G Furman & Coles & Mr Bayard be a Committee to confer with the Commissrs of the Health Office on the Measures necessary to be taken for cleaning the Streets & removing & depositing the Dirt & Filth.

A Petition of John Holdron to renew his Lease of Paulus Hook Ferry was read & postponed.

And Aldn Bogert & Messrs Lindsay & Carmer were appointed a Committee to enquire into & report the Rates which ought to be established for Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries previous to the letting of them for a further Term.

On a suggestion that Many Persons had violated the Law for regulating Buildings to prevent Fires.

It was ordered that James Culbertson be appointed to commence Prosecutions against all Persons who have or who shall offend against the sd Law

Ordered that a notification be published requiring all Accts against this Bd to be exhibited within three Months vizt on the first Mondays of May, August Novr & February in every Year

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps.....	£3: 1: 6
issd	John S Hunn towards a Well lately sunk in Murray Street	£11:—:—
	Bogert & Blauvelt for Repairs to public Pumps 6th Ward	£76:12:—

[439] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th febv 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John B Coles	} Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	} Assistts
Gabriel Furman		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman		William Bayard	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Mangle Minthorn	

On reading a Petition of John Ireland

Ordered that Aldn Coles & Messrs Minthorn & Bayard be a Committee to direct the fencing in with Boards so much of the Ground used as the City public burying Ground as may be necessary and the Residue of the said Ground with good Posts & Rails and also the planting of Trees in & about the said Ground as they shall think proper

A Letter from Mr Oothout as Chairman of the Health Office on the subject of the Accts of the Expences accrued last Year in consequence of the Yellow Fever was read And Aldn G Furman & Coles & Mr Bayard were appointed a Committee to confer with the Commissioners of the Health Office on the subject.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the 2d & the Assistt of the 3d Wards be a Committee to examine the State of the Wharfs between Wall Street and [440] the Fly Market & report to the Board what further Improvements are necessary

Ordered that John Blagge as Proprietor of the Hay Scale in front of the new Albany Bason on Hudson River be required to remove the said Scale from that Place in fourteen Days or that this Board will be under the necessity of taking other Measure for its removal to prevent the obstruction & nuisance it occasions in the public Street.

The Treasurer according to Order presented to the Board a List or Account, in a Book, of the Real Estate and Revenue of this Corporation which was examined & ordered to be filed.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the complaint of the Proprietors of Lots in Barley & Ann Streets East of the Broad Way, as to the Regulation of those Streets agreed to & established on

the 26th day of June 1797 and after due consideration of the situation of those Streets with the Streets & Grounds in the vicinity determined that no better regulation of those Streets can be made and therefore adhere to the said Regulation And direct that the Surveyors set posts or Marks in the said Streets to shew the heighth to which they are respectively to be raised.

[441] Ordered that Aldn Coles & Bogert & Mr Bayard be a Committee to report what Allowance ought to be made to the Clerk of this Board for his Services.

Ordered that the Clerk enquire of the Persons appointed for the purpose what progress they have made in the Assessments for opening Bancker Street & widening Beaver Lane.

Nicholas Lawrence Capt of the City Watch & David Waldron his Assist attended the Board agreable to the order of the last Meeting to answer to the presentment of the Grand Jurors for inhuman treatment towards John Cross Junr in the Watch House and Mr Cross also attended And the Board having heard Mr Cross on the subject of his complaint and examined several Witnesses on Oath vizt Abm Walker James Bigham Alexr Black Stephen Carmer John J. Demarest on the Part of Nicholas Lawrence & David Waldron in the presence & hearing of all the Parties Do determine & adjudge the Complaint unsupported.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£95: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Jacob J Lansing late Sheriff for Juro[r]s Fees to assess the Ground taken to open & widen Bancker Street & Beaver Lane	£3:15: 6
issd	Rinier Skaats for Salary & Disbursmts	£21:10:—
issd	Lindsay & Knox for flagging to Wells	£3:17:—
issd	David King for Beer	£3: 2:—
issd	Michl Brooks for paints & glazing City Hall & Bridewell	£16:14: 9
issd	Wm Eagles Repairs to Lamps	£8:11: 9

[442] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th February 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie John Bogert Jotham Post John B. Coles Gabriel Furman Theophilus Beekman	Esquires Aldermen	George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer William Bayard Anthony Brown	Assistants

The Mayor informed the Board That on Friday last Mr Burr one of the Members from this City in the Assembly of the State together with John Murray Esqr as the President of the Chamber of Commerce, Gulian Verplanck Esqr as the President of the Office of Discount and Deposit of the Bank of the United States in this City, Peter H. Wendover as the President of the Mechanic Society together with Major General Hamilton and John Broome Esqr, according to an Appointment by Mr Burr, called on him and stated to him in the Presence of the Recorder, who was also requested to attend for the purpose, that great difficulties had arisen in the minds of the Members of the Legislature touching the Powers requested to be vested in this Board, by the Bill for supplying this City with Water and the Bill for investing this Board with adequate Powers in relation to certain objects of importance to the Health of the City: that it was Problematical whether those Bills would Pass in the form Proposed and He therefore submitted the Propriety of this Board requesting the Legislature that if those Bills respectively should not be deemed Proper in the form proposed by the Board, the Legislature should make such Provisions on the several Subjects thereof as to them should appear most eligible.

That after some Conversation with Mr Burr and the other Gentlemen accompanying him the Recorder and himself [443] requested that their Propositions might be stated in Writing to be communicated to the Board as on this day. And Mr Recorder now laid before the Board a Paper without Signature which he stated to the Board he had received from Major General Hamilton as the Propositions for their consideration this day, which being read

Resolved, That before the Board proceed upon the said Propositions they ought to be sanctioned by the Signature of the parties recommending the same; And that the Nature and Circumstances of the Difficulties which have attended the several applications made on the behalf of this Board to the Legislature should also be stated.

Resolved further that the above Resolution be communicated to Mr Burr and Major General Hamilton without delay; And as the objects above alluded to are of great importance to the welfare of the City, the Mayor be requested to call a special Meeting of this Board as soon as he shall receive the Proper communications in consequence of the above Resolution.

The Treasurer communicated to the Board that Mr Dawson the present Tenant in the Ferry House at Brooklyn declined keeping it after the first day of May next at which time his Term expires Ordered that the Clerk publish an Advertizement to receive written proposals sealed 'till the 16th March next. The highest Bidder to have a Lease of the Premisses for three Years to pay all Taxes & the Rent quarterly also to give satisfactory Security & reserving the Right to Mr Dawson to remove the Stable he erected on the Premisses.

[444] A Memorial of Isaac Man for payment of a ballance due him on a quantity of Pine Logs, furnished the Corporation on a Contract entered into in 1774, for Pipes to supply the City with Water was read And the Committee to whom the investigation of this subject was committed on a former application of Mr Man signifying to the Board that from the great lapse of Time & the not being able to have recourse to the Books of Acct & Papers which were taken away by Mr Cruger the then Treasurer of the Corporation who joined the British Army & with them left this Country, they had not been able to obtain satisfactory Evidence of the delivery of the Pine Logs agreable to the said Contract nor of the payments which probably might have been made to Mr Man on acct thereof; The Board determined it their Duty as Trustees for the public to leave Mr Man to substantiate his Demand by a suit at Law.

Hugh Gobell being about to remove from the Apartments in the New Watch House And Henry Hide one of the City Marshalls applying for the use of those Apartments The Board agree that he may occupy them on such Terms as the Aldn & Assist of the 6th & the Assistt of the 7ts Wards shall Judge Reasonable.

[445] On a verbal Report of the Committee to examine the state of the Wharfs between Wall Street & the Fly Market

Ordered that the Proprietors of the said Water Lots be respectively notified & required to cause those Water Lots and the Street of 70 feet wide in front of them to be compleatly made filled up with wholesome Earth & finished by the 1st day of March in the year 1800.

The Clerk presented to the Board a Release to Gilbert C Willet of Lots No 1, 2, 3, 4, 10 & 11 of the Common Lands containg in all 29

Acres 3 Roads & 30 Perches sold to him in the Year 1789 which was approved by the Board and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board, to be delivered to Mr Willet on his paying the consideration Money with legal Interest on the several Installments from the time they became due.

Ordered that Albert Kennard of the 6th Ward Cartman be appointed a fireman to Engine No 19 vice Isaac Varian resigned.

John McNiel being charged by the affidavit of a certain Mary Wheeler of his being the Father of two illegitimate Children of which she was delivered on the 3d & 4th Days of Decr last [446] And for which he stands bound by Recognizance to appear at the Court of Genl Sessions of the Peace Now comes by his Petition to this Board setting forth among other Things that he has no property but depends on a salary of £150 per Annum for support of himself & an aged father of 80 Years of Age & a Sister with an Infant Child, who have no Means of support but what is derived from him, that he cannot possibly raise beyond the Sum of forty Pounds towards the support of those Children and therefore prays the Board to accept that Sum & release him from his Recognizance Whereupon this Board do consider that under all the circumstances of this Case it will be the public Interest to accept the Terms offered by Mr McNiel and that on his paying to the City Treasurer the Sum of forty Pounds he ought to be released from any further Trouble or Expence on acct of the public in the Premisses.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct for fire Wood.....	$100
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of the Police Office for 2 Mths Services	$125
issd	Michl Brooks for repairg Lamps.....	£38: 6:11

[447] City of New York } ss: At a Common Council held on Thursday the 28th day of February 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jotham Post **John Bogert** **Theophilus Beekman** Jacob De La Montagnie Gabriel Furman	**Esquires** Aldermen	**Nicholas Carmer** **George Lindsay** Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown	**Assistants**

Mr Mayor laid before the Board a Letter from Major General Hamilton together with a written communication from him which were read in the Words following, to wit,

New York Feby 26. 1799.

Dr Sir

I last night received your Letter dated Yesterday.

The Resolutions of the Common Council discover a mistake as to the Characters under which the Gentlemen named in them made their Communication to yourself and the Recorder. They did not pretend to appear in an official Capacity, but intended to be considered merely as private individuals.

As such they gave information which they thought might be useful to the City. Specific Propositions in Writing were requested from not proposed by them—these were sent in an informal shape, because it was not meant to attach formality to their interposition. Having been digested by me as the Sum of a Previous conversation among ourselves, I have no objection to authenticate them by my Signature—and [448] I freely add that the changes in the Plan of the Corporation which they suggest have the full concurrence of my Opinion.

With respect and esteem I am

Dr Sir

Richard Varick Esqr Your Obed Servant
A. Hamilton

Among the objects on all hands agreed to be necessary towards preserving the City from Pestilential diseases are the following

1 The conveyance of Water in pipes through every Part of the City as well for the more convenient Washing and cleansing of the Streets, Alleys and Lanes as for the supply of the Inhabitants.

2 The filling up, lowering and draining of such Grounds within the City as may require it including the Lots adjacent to Hudsons River and the Sound as far into the Water as may be deemed ex-

pedient and causing proper bulkheads to be made adjoining or opposite to those Lots

3 The filling up, altering and amending of public Slips.

4 The filling up, altering and amending of Sinks and privies.

5 The establishment of Common Sewers or subterraneous drains and the altering and amending of such as may now exist.

As to the first Point, the Plan Proposed by the Corporation is that the Business shall be executed by the Corporation for their own benefit, and that towards enabling them to do this, the Legislature shall grant to them for a term of Years the Revenue arising from Sales at Auction. No other fund is indicated by the Bill. Probably it is contemplated that Loans may be obtained on the foundation of the revenue [449] to arise from the supply of the Water and the Deficiency, if any, may be made up by taxes on the City.

The Success of this Plan is Problematical. It is doubtful whether the Legislature, diminished as are some of the resources of revenue, on which it has for sometime relied, will be willing to grant the fund arising from Auctions, for the profit of the Corporation, for such a term as will make it go far towards accomplishing the object. Computing it's annual Amount at 30,000 Dollars, if granted for twenty Years, which is as much as can be hoped, it would be equal only to a Capital of 344097 Dollars and 60 Cents, interest at 6 ℔ Cent.,

But it is hardly to be expected that money can be borrowed at so low a rate—How far short will this be of the Sum probably requisite! This cannot safely be estimated at less than a Milion of Dollars, if the business be done on a Scale sufficiently extensive. The Amount of the revenue to result from the supply of the Water must be for some time uncertain and under this uncertainty extensive loans on this basis ought not to be counted upon. To raise what may be wanted by taxes to carry on the enterprise with vigour might be found so burthensome on the Citizens as to occasion the operation to languish

It is not to be doubted, that it will Promote the Convenience of the Citizens and secure the final Success of the object to let in the aid of a Capital to be created by the voluntary contributions of individuals

This may be obtained on a Plan like the following:

Let a Company be incorporated of all those who shall subscribe to the fund with a Capital not exceeding a Milion of Dollars to be composed of Shares of fifty Dollars each, the affairs of which to be managed by seven directors [450] annually chosen by the Subscribers, except that the Recorder of the City for the time being shall always be one.

Of this Capital a privilege to be reserved to the Corporation of the City to subscribe for any Number of Shares not exceeding a third; to enable them to do which a Grant of the Auction duties to continue to be solicited, and a power to be asked to raise on the City an annual revenue equal to the interest and gradual reimbursement of the Principal of such additional Loans as may be found necessary.

The Company to have Powers similar to those which the draft of the Bill contemplates to be given to the Corporation. Further details need not be specified.

By this expedient the success will become certain and the enterprise can be carried on with energy and dispatch.

As to the remaining points, they may be considered together

The powers to be conferred by the Legislature will have referrence first to the accomplishment of what is contemplated to be done in the first instance—secondly to the future execution of similar measures in cases hereafter to arise and the Preservation of things in the State in which they shall be placed.

In respect to the latter the Powers must be vested in a permanent body and the Corporation very naturally offers itself as that body. The Successive execution of the system in future may be reconciled with the attention which the Corporation is obliged to pay to its ordinary concerns.

But it is the opinion of many that the Prompt and vigorous execution of what is to be done, in the [451] first instance, will be better effected by Commissioners to be appointed for the special Purpose, than by a body whose attention must necessarily be engrossed and distracted by a great multiplicity of other avocations.

It is by those who entertain this Opinion, desired that the powers for this primary operation may be vested in Commissioners not exceeding in Number seven. Their authority may be limitted to two Years and the like powers, to be exercised after that period, vested in the Corporation. All other powers contemplated to be obtained may remain as proposed in the Bill which has been prepared on behalf of the Corporation.

It will be seen that the only points of difference between this plan and that which has been adopted by the Corporation consist in the calling in the aid of private Capital for the Conveyance of Water to the City—and the vesting of the powers respecting the enumerated Points in the first instance in Commissioners instead of the Corporation.

It is believed, that the main object will be promoted, if the Corporation will signify to the Legislature, either directly by memorial, or

indirectly, by a Communication to the members of this City, that alterations in their plan corresponding with the changes here suggested, if more agreeable to the Legislature, will not be unacceptable to them.

Alexander Hamilton.

Whereupon the Board came to the following Determination on the Subject (to wit)

Whereas by the Report of a joint Committee from this Board from the Chamber of Commerce and from the medical Society, with the Commissioners of the Health [452] Office, dated the fourteenth day of January last, a Variety of Regulations and improvements in this City were recommended as of primary importance to the health and welfare of the Inhabitants—And Whereas the introduction of a Copious supply of pure and wholesome Water into the City has long been contemplated by the Board and is esteemed by the said Committee "one "of the most powerful means of removing the causes of pestilential "diseases" And Whereas this Board in order to carry the objects of the said Report into Effect, and with a view to obtain such supply of Fresh Water, for the benefit of the Citizens in general, and in Pursuance of the recommendation of the said Committee has directed certain Bills to be prepared and submitted to the Consideration of the Legislature by means of which the Care and Duties of this Board, as such, would be considerably extended, and the individual members thereof be subjected to great additional trouble, without any Emolument to themselves And Whereas Objections have arisen to the said Bills upon the Ground that a Company would be best adapted to the Business of supplying the City with Water, and that the other objects recommended in the said report would be better accomplished under the Direction of Commissioners to be appointed for those special Purposes, Therefore

Resolved, That this Board is truly anxious that the Measures recommended by the said joint Committee and every other Measure which may promote the health and welfare of the City, be pursued in the way that may be most likely to secure those important Ends; And altho' the members of this Board have not been unwilling to subject themselves to great trouble and responsibility from a sense of Duty, Yet having no private Motives to wish for any peculiar Agency in this business, they will be perfectly satisfied if [453] the objects in View are pursued in any Way that the Legislature may think proper by which their fellow Citizens may be benefitted in the most easy, safe and effectual method, and the Charter rights of the City remain inviolate.

Resolved, That a Copy of the above Resolution under the Common Seal, together with the Papers and Proceedings of the Board relating to the Subject, be transmitted to such Members of the Board as are at present in the Legislature.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Theophilus Beekman, John Bogert, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Jacob De LaMontagnie

Assistts: George Lindsay, Nicholas Carmer, William Bayard, Mangle Minthorn

A Letter from the Commissrs of the Health Office covering their Accts of the last year was read & referred to the Committee appointed on the 18th Ulto to confer with them on that subject

A new Mode of constructing & placing Lamps in the Streets was pre[se]nted by Mr Bitlinger was read & referred to the Lamp Committee

A petition from the Inhabitants in the vicinity for taking down & removing the Building called the Exchange was read and the consideration postponed 'till next Meeting

[454] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Auditing Committee Report that they have examined the annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Market fees from the first day of January to the twenty ninth day of December 1798 inclusive; That the Mayor has received from Hugh Gobel and James Culbertson Deputy Clerks of the Market (including Ninety three pounds twelve shillings paid by his Order for Sweeping and cleansing the Markets) the Sum of one thousand five hundred and eighty five pounds thirteen shillings and six pence. That the Mayor has retained the one half of the last mentioned Sum to his own use and has paid the Residue or Ballance to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer.

The Committee further Report that they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Licences granted to Tavern Keepers from the first day of March to the 25th day of January last inclusive. That he has received for 1071 Licences the Sum of one thousand six hundred and six

pounds ten shillings; That he has retained three tenth parts thereof to his own use; That he has paid two tenth parts thereof to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk; That he has paid to George Forman for printing the Licences &c^{a} fourteen pounds four shillings. That he has paid to William W Gilbert Esquire twenty pounds one shilling and eight pence as a Commissioner for receiving and paying the one half of the said Sum of £1606:10:0 due to the Board and that he has paid the Ballance of Seven hundred & sixty eight pounds nineteen shillings and four pence to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer All which appears from the preceding Accounts

New York Feb^{y} 11th 1799

John Bogert
Wm Bayard
Geo: Lindsay
} Auditing Committee

[455] M^{r} Mayor communicated to the Board that James Culbertson by Reason of Indisposition was rendered unable to execute the Office of a Deputy Clerk of the Market and that he had appointed Bartholomew Skaats in his stead; which was approved by the Board

Ordered that Mess^{rs} Minthorn & Brown be a Committee to direct the securing of a dangerous Well on Delanceys Ground 7th Ward

The Committee on the Rates to be established for Paulus Hook & Hoboken Ferries delivered in a Report which was postponed 'till next Meet^{g} and the same Committee were appointed to confer with the present Lessees as to the Rent, for a further Term.

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t}	$500
iss^{d}	Peter Cole for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed criminals & Vagrants to Bridewell	£29:17: 6
iss^{d}	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£90: 4:10
iss^{d}	Arthur Smith for stone Gutters to public Wells in 6th Ward	£5:17: 9
iss^{d}	John Keyser for repair^{g} a Watchman's Box	£1:16:—
iss^{d}	Isaac Torboss for paint^{g} Pumps	£2:11:10½
iss^{d}	David Marshall for superintend^{g} the City burying Ground	£38: 2:—
iss^{d}	Office of daily Advertizer	£16:13: 4
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[456] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 11th day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Nichs Carmer	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		William Bayard	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	
Theophs Beekman		George Lindsay	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post			

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Petition read at the last Meeting for the taking down & removing the public Building, in the lower part of Broad Street, called the Exchange And on the Question for granting the Prayer of the said Petition it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

for the Affirmative.	for the Negative
Mr Recorder	Aldn Post
Aldn Bogert	Aldn Beekman
Aldn G Furman	Mr Brown
Aldn DeLaMontagnie	Mr Minthorn
Ald. Coles	Mr Carmer
Mr Lindsay	
Mr Bayard	

Ordered that Aldn G. Furman Aldn Coles & Mr Lindsay be a Committee to take order for the taking down & removing of the said Building between the 20th May & the 20th of June next; reserving for the [457] public use the Bell & stone flagging in & about the said Building & such other Articles as they shall judge proper And ordered that the Clerk notify Mrs Baker the present Occupant of the determination of the Board on this Subject and that she remove from the said Building by the 20th of May next.

On the Application of Peter R Livingston Register of the Court of Chancery

Ordered that the middle lower Room on the East side of the City Hall be appropriated for the safe keeping & deposit of the Records of the said Court

That the northeastern upper Room in the City Hall be set apart for the holding of the Court of Chancery; And that the Clerk of this Board take order for putting the said Room in proper order.

Ordered that the Clerk report to the Board the State of the Business respecting the Deeds to the purchasors of the Common Lands with the Names of such as refuse or decline accepting of their Deeds.

A Report of Dr Mitchell on the Plan of an Œlopile for correcting the foul Air in crouded Court Rooms presented to the Board by Dr Ball was read and thereupon

Resolved that this Board are sensible of the Ingenuity of the Invention: but cannot at present determine as to the Means of carrying it into execution.

[458] Resolved that this Board will meet on Saturday next to receive such Report as the Committee, who were appointed to confer with the Commissrs of the Health Office on the most effectual Measures for cleaning the Streets & removing & depositing the Filth & Dirt, may be prepared to make.

A Petition of Mary Vandebergh Widow of Cornse Vandebergh Butcher decd praying the like Indulgence granted the Widows of other Butchers; was read And it was ordered that she be indulged in like manner as the Widow of George Messerve to continue in the occupation of her decd Husbands Standing in the Fly Market for one Year or during the pleasure of the Board.

On reading an Application of Isaac Moses

Ordered that he be permitted to erect a Lime House in the Street in front of the Buildings he is about to erect in Wall Street adjoining the Tontine Coffee House And also (to prevent the danger of Bricks & other Articles falling on the Inhabitants) that he be permitted to run a fence, along the front of the Lot, in the Street to enclose the Buildings—The whole to be done under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward & to remain until the said Buildings shall be under cover & no longer.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Rates of Ferriage to be taken at the Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries [459] as reported at the last Meeting which were approved & established as follows vizt

For Paulus Hook

A Passenger	£0: 0: 9
A Coach, Chariot, Coachee or covered Waggon	0: 8:—
A Phœton	0: 5:—
A Chaise or top Chair	0: 3: 6
A Chair	0: 2: 6
A Sleigh	0: 2: 6
Horses & Cattle	0: 1: 9
A Sheep Calf or Hog	0: 0: 6
A large Trunk or Chest	0: 1:—
A small do do	0: 0: 6
A bushel of Salt	0: 0: 2
A Pipe or Hogshead of Wine, Spirits or Molasses	0: 6:—
A Barrel of do	0: 1:—

A barrel of Beef Pork Flour or Fish	£0: 1:—
Plank of every kind, each	0: 0: 1½
Boards dº	0: 0: 1
A side of sole Leather	0: 0: 2
dº upper dº	0: 0: 1
A raw Hide	0: 0: 3
Iron Steel Lead &c pr CWt	0: 0: 6
A Desk	0: 3:—
A Large Table	0: 0: 9
A small dº	0: 0: 4
A Mahogany Chair	0: 0: 2
A common dº	0: 0: 1
Basket or Bag of Fruit of 2 bushls	0: 0: 4
Bag of Grain dº	0: 0: 3
Bag of Flour or Meal	0: 0: 3
A Crate of earthen Ware	0: 2:—
[460] A Tierce of earthen Ware	0: 2:—
A feather Bed	0: 0: 6
A Clock Case	0: 1:—
A Chest of Tea	0: 2:—
Dye Wood Pr CWt	0: 0: 6
Indigo & Copperas Pr CWt	0: 0: 6
Gun Powder Pr CWt	0: 1:—
A Lage Bale of Cotton	0: 2:—
An empty Hogshead or Pipe	0: 1:—
dº dº Barrel	0: 0: 3
Shad Pr hundred	0: 2:—
Cabbages Pr hundred	0: 1: 6

And all other Articles & Things in like proportion.

For Hoboocken.

A Passenger	£0: 0: 9
A Coach, Chariot, Coachee or covered Waggon	0: 8: 6
A Phaeton	0: 5: 6
A Chaise or top Chair	0: 3: 6
A Chair	0: 2: 6
A Sleigh	0: 3: 6
Horses & Cattle	0: 1: 9
A Sheep Calf or Hog	0: 0: 6
A large Trunk or Chest	0: 1: 3
A small dº dº	0: 0: 9
A Bushel of Salt	0: 0: 2½
A Pipe or Hogshead of Wine Spirits or Molasses	0: 8:—
A Barrel of dº	0: 1:—
A Barrel of Beef Pork Flour or Fish	0: 1: 3
Plank of every kind	0: 0: 2
Boards dº	0: 0: 1
A side of sole Leather	0: 0: 2
A side of upper Leather	0: 0: 1

A raw Hide	£0: 0: 3
[461] Iron Steel Lead &c Pr CWt	0: 0: 6
A Desk	0: 3:—
A large Table	0: 1:—
A small do	0: 0: 6
A Mahogany Chair	0: 0: 2
A common do	0: 0: 1
A Basket or Bag of Fruit of two Bushels	0: 0: 4
A Bag of Grain of do	0: 0: 3
do of Flour or Meal	0: 0: 3
A Crate of Earthen Ware	0: 2:—
A Tierce of do	0: 2: 3
A feather Bed	0: 0: 6
A Clock Case	0: 1:—
A Chest of Tea	0: 2:—
Dye Wood Pr Ct Wt	0: 0: 6
Indigo & Copperas Pr Ct Wt	0: 0: 6
Gun Powder Pr Ct Wt	0: 1:—
A large Bale of Cotton	0: 2:—
An empty Hogshead or Pipe	0: 1:—
do do Barrel	0: 0: 3
Cabbages Pr hundred	0: 1: 6
Shad Pr hundred	0: 2:—

And all other Articles & Things in like proportion.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Edward Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps	£6: 5:—
issd	Goodeve & Brown for Box Candles	2:10:—

[462] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday the 16th day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John B Coles Theophs Beekman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John Bogert	Esqrs Alda	William Bayard George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Nicholas Carmer	Assistts

His Excellency the Governor with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esqr to the Office of Mayor of this City for the Year ensuing his Commission under the Great Seal of the State was read & published & he took the Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter.

The Clerk presented the engrossed Grant to James Homer Maxwell of a certain Water Lot on the East River situate in the second

Ward between front Street & South Street; which was read and approved by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto And that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board to be delivered on Mr Maxwell's executing the counterpart [463] The Clerk also presented a Release to Caspar Samler of Lot No 34 And a Release to John Thomson of Lots No 27-28-29 & 30 Parcel of the Common Lands which were also read & approved by the Bd & ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to And that Mr Mayor subscribe the said Releases to be delivered on paymt of the consideration Money with legal Interest from the time the payments became due agreable to the Articles of sale

Mr Mayor presented to the Board a Report made to him by Mr Weston on the subject of supplying this City with wholesome Water; which was read And it was ordered that *that* it be printed in Pamphlet in like manner as that of Dr Browne on the same subject and that a manuscript Copy be immediately sent to the Members of this Bd in the Legislature at Albany.

The Committee appointed on the 10th of Septr last to aid the Health Commissrs in the execution of their Business & to take Measures for the Relief of the sick & indigent during the then prevailing Sickness in this City presented to the Board an Acct Currt from which it appears that besides the Donations in Money & Provisions by them [464] received they had expended to the amount of Eleven thousand Six hundred Dollars & forty seven Cents advanced by this Board; which said Acct was ordered to be published for the Information of the public, & in hand Bills for the Members of the Legislature and that the original be immediately sent to the Members of this Board in the Legislature at Albany

issd An Acct Currt between this Board & the Commissrs of the Health Office was also read & filed And from which it appears a ballce is due from this Board to the said Commissrs of £1239:3:2.

The Board then took into consideration the Allowance which ought to be made to the said Commissioners & determined the allowance to the said Commissrs for their Services last Year as follows.

issd	To Dr Richard Bayley Health Officer.....	£200:—:—
issd	To John Oothout Commissr.....	£100:—:—
issd	& To Jacob Abramse do	£100:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr for the payment of the said Ballance & the said Allowances accordingly.

Ordered that a Gen[l] Letter of Atty to M[r] Recorder as Atty & Council of this B[d] be made with the Common Seal affixed And that he be authorized to retain Council to assist him.

[465] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 26[th] day of March 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman
John Bogert
Jacob De laMontagnie
Theoph[s] Beekman
Jotham Post
John B Coles
} Esqrs Ald[n]

George Lindsay
Mangle Minthorn
Nicholas Carmer
Anthony Brown
William Bayard
} Assist[ts]

John Bogert Esq[r]
Nicholas Carmer Merch[t]
} admitted & sworn as Free Men of this City

The Clerk presented to the Board written proposals sealed for the Ferry House at Brooklyn on opening & reading of which those of David Ross appeared to be the highest viz[t] £205 per Annum. Ordered that a Lease to M[r] Ross be prepared accordingly.

Ordered that until the Legislature shall make other Provision in the Premisses An Extract of such Part of the Law for preventing Nuisances as respects the scraping up the Dirt in the Streets be published in the News Papers.

Ordered that an Advertizement be published for receiving written proposals sealed 'till the 6[th] April next inclusive for the leasing of Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries for three Years from the 1[st] May next.

[466] Ordered that George Lindsay & Philip Jacobs be permitted to plant Trees in front of their respective Houses And that M[r] Mayor have permission to make Vaults in the Broad Way & Pine Street in front of his Houses; the whole to be done under the direction of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the W[d]

A Representation of Robert Mott Inspector of Flour suggesting an Improvement in the Assize & Regulation of Bread; was read & referred to Ald[n] Coles & Bogert & M[r] Lindsay

Ordered that M[r] Carmer take order for repairing the front of the Old Slip Wharf

Ordered that a Warr[t] issue to pay Henry Willits for paving in front of a Lot of Ann Dealing dec[d] in Oliver Street for £12:7:— and that a Suit be commenced for the same against Walter Bowne the Occupant of the said Lot.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to enquire into the State of the Water Lots which were intended to be granted to Trinity Church & improved by Fredck Rhinelander as also those of Henry Ten Broeck now belonging to Peter P. Van Zandt

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$500
issd	Conradt Withman for Repairs to Lamps	£4:11: 6
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£811:17:—
issd	James Riker for Iron Work to Pumps	£0:12: 9
issd	the same for Iron Work to Hudson Wharf	£5:18:—
issd	John B Dash for Repairs to Watch Hs Stove	£0:14:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[467] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 1st 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorne Anthony Brown	Assistts

Ordered that the Justices of the Police Office be permitted to store in the Bridewell Yard such Pitch Tar & Turpentine as they shall find necessary from time to time to remove there

A Petition of James Amory for Relief on a Suit bro't against him, by order of this Board, on the Law for regulating Buildings; was read & referred to Aldn Beekman & Coles.

On reading a Petition of Wm Williams

Ordered that he be permitted to sink a Rain Water Cistern in the Street adjoining his House at the Corner of Partition & Washington Streets, under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Resolved that the like permission be not granted in future unless the Cistern be made of Brick or Stone & arched with the same Materials.

[468] A Petition of Messrs Ellis & Clarkson to plant Trees in front of their Houses in Liberty Street was rejected because the Street is less than 40 feet Wide.

Ordered that a notification be published informing the Inhabitants that Trees may be planted in any Street of the Wedth of 40 feet & upwards, under the Direction of the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that John Fox be permitted to make Area's to his new Houses in Murray Street under the Direction of the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward

Ordered that M^{r} Waldron repair the Road going up the long Hill at Harlem between the 9 & 10 Mile Stone.

And that M^{r} Carmer take order for repair^{s} the Injury to the Common Sewer in Chambers Street and to prevent the laying of Timber or other Things thereon so as to injure it in future.

Ordered that Henry Hulsart of the 7th W^{d} Cartman & Corn^{s} Peterson of the same Place Blacksmith be appointed Firemen to Engine N^{o} 2 vice George Lord & Sam^{l} Lord resigned.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^{d}	Bernard O'Blenis Clk of the Police Office for his Services	62^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[469] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 2^{d} April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	William Bayard	Assist^{ts}
Theoph^{s} Beekman		Nich^{s} Carmer	
John Bogert		George Lindsay	
John B Coles		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorne	

Purs^{t} to the Statute for regulating Elections the B^{d} proceeded to elect Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Senators & Members of Assembly & the follow^{g} Persons were duly elected viz^{t}

1st Ward	2^{d} Ward
Peter Jay Monro	Robert Lenox
Gerrit Keteltas	John Oothout
James Van Dyk	John P Pearss
3^{d} Ward	4th Ward
John Titus	Jacob Abramse
Isaac Burr	Benjamin Haight
Samuel Burling	John Mills

5th Ward	6th Ward
John P Ritter	Anthony Steenback
William Newton	John Crolius Junr
Abraham Bloodgood	Henry Verveelen

7th Ward

Samuel Stilwell. Gilbert C Willet & Wm Johnson.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay Peter Cole for lighting Lamps..... £94: 1:10

[470] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th day of April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard
Richard Furman		Nicholas Carmer
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn
Gabriel Furman		Thomas Storm
Jacob De La Montagnie		George Lindsay
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius
Theophs Beekman		

Assistts

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of Appointment having been pleased to reappoint James Morris Esqr Sherif and Charles Dickenson Coroner of this City & County and their Commissions being read they respectively took the Oaths of Office required by the Charter of this City.

The Sherif also presented his Bond for the due execution of his Office which was read & approved by the Board & filed

The Clerk presented to the Board the written proposals sealed from sundry Persons for Paulus Hook & Hoboock Ferries and the Board determined to accept of those of John Holdron for Paulus Hook & those of Zadock Hedden for Hoboock. Ordered that the Leases & Bonds be prepared accordingly

[471] The Report of the Committee on the subject of cleaning the Streets & removing & depositing the Filth & Dirt was again read & recommitted to Aldn Bogert & R Furman & Mr Arcularius.

A Petition of Peter Herenfrets relative to some Improvement to Water Street at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the Street Commissr

A Request of the Managers of the State Road Lottery for the use of a Room in the City Hall to draw the Lottery & of the Wheels & Apparatus remaining of the former Lottery was read & granted.

A Request of John Merrit to sink a rain Water Cistern in front

of his House in Partition Street was read & rejected; unless he make it of Stone or Brick under the Direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

A Request of Stilwell & Deforcest to take up the pavement of Pearl St to repair a Drain was granted; on condition that they put the Street in the like order again under the Inspection of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	John Furman for printing Weston's Report on supplys the City with Water.....	£9: 3: 6
issd	Stewart & Jones for Ship Chandlery on the Mud Drudge	£40: 18: 3

[472] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert John B Coles Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Richard Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Nichs Carmer Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm	Assistts

Mr Mayor laid before the Board the new Map of the City made by Mr Mangin; which was committed to Aldn R: Furman, G: Furman & DelaMontagnie to examine & to correct as to the Names of the Streets; & also to report a Mode for obtaining subscribers to the Work

Mr Mayor represented to the Board that Mr Mangin requested a further advance of Money: But as the state of his Acct against the Board could not be immediately known Mr Mayor suggested the lending of him $200 on his Note payable in six Months; which was agreed to by the Board.

The following Report of the Committee on the subject of cleaning the Streets & removing Filth & Dirt was read and agreed to by the Board viz.

[473] Your Committee Appointed to Report a plan for Cleansing the Streets Collecting the filth and dirt of this City and Removing the same have duly Considered the Subject and are of Opinion

That the Corporation should take measures to Collect the Street

Dirt and Manure at their own expence and sell the same and for the greater Convenience of Carrying into effect such an Arrangement

That the City should be divided into three districts each to be Swept and the Dirt Removed twice a Week in daily Rotation and that the following Division will be found the most Convenient

1st District—Broadway and that part of the City laying to the Westward of it.

2d District—That part of the said City laying to the Southward of Broadway and to the Westward [of] Beekman Street through Pearl Street to Peck's Slip including the last mentioned three Streets or such parts of them as this Boundary passes through and the Street at the head of the Slip.

3d District—That part of the City laying to the Southward and Eastward of the other two Districts

That as many Carts as may be found necessary be hired to Remove the Dirt and Manure either to Vessels or to some place to be provided in or near to the City for the Temporary deposit of such parts as may not be taken away dailey by Vessels and as it may be expected at some Seasons of the year the Boats usually employed in Carrying Manure will be otherways engaged and at such times so much would be Collected in the said place of Deposit as to give uneasiness to them who may reside in the Neighbourhood.

They are therefore of Opinion it would be proper for the Corporation to buy two Pettit Augers to be employed Occasionally in Removing the Manure from the first place of Deposit to one more distant and when not engaged in doing this they may be employed in delivering Manure at such Landings as may Suit the Convenience of purchasers.

[474] That two Men with Carts and Bells be employed to go daily through the two Districts that are not Sweeping for the purpose of Collecting the Garbage and Offals from Yards and Kitchens for which purpose they should Ring the Bell at Suitable Distances to Notify the Inhabitants to bring out the same and put it into the Carts.

Your Committee further Report that two Street Commissioners should be appointed with an Annual Compensation whose duty it should be to Examine all Lots, Cellars, Sewers, Sinks and Yards and to Report from time to time such of them to the Corporation as in their Opinion should be filled up Altered or Cleansed and to Superintend and Carry into effect the foregoing regulations as well as all Bye Laws Relative to the same and Collect all Penalties incurred under them to hire a Superintendant and other necessary Persons for

Accomplishing the said Work to Sell the Manure and keep all the Accounts Relative to this Department and at least once a year make up the same and lay them before the Corporation and to Suggest any Improvement to this System that may to them seem proper.

New York 15th April 1799

Jn° B Coles
Gabriel Furman
John Bogert
Richd Furman
Wm Bayard
Philip J Arcularius

An Act of the Legislature investing this Board with certain Powers relative to the Health of this City; was also read And thereupon Aldn John Bogert was appointed an additional Street Commissioner And he together with Aldn Richard Furman the other Street Commissioner were appointed Inspectors under the said Act to inspect Lots [475] &c And to see to the due execution of all such Matters & Things as shall be required by any Law Ordinance or Order of this Board touching the cleansing of the City & promoting the Health thereof. And further they were respectively appointed Surveyors of this City And Mr Recorder was requested to prepare all such Ordinances as may be necessary relative to the several Objects of the said Act & the aforegoing Report of the Committee on the subject of cleansing the City.

And it was further ordered that the Drudge for cleaning out the Docks & Slips be put under the direction of the Street Commissrs to [be] employed from time to time in such places as they shall direct

On a complaint that a certain House in Gold Street, which was shut up & abandoned last Summer during the prevailing Sickness, had not been opened or aired since that time The Inspectors were directed to cause the said House to be opened & with the furniture therein to be aired & cleansed & the Board would indemnify them.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs take order for raising the Street under Catharine Slip Market

[476] Complaints against the sunken Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slips, the Slip at the foot of Liberty Street, and a Store House of Blaze Moore at the Old Slip, as nuisances, were referred to the Inspectors of Lots.

A Letter from Daniel Ludlow Presidt of a Company lately established by Law, called the Manhattans Company for the purpose of supplying this City with Water, together with a Copy of their Charter

were respectively read & the consideration of the Steps to be taken by this Bd thereon postponed 'till next Meeting

A Request of Wm Neilson to plant a Row of Forest Trees in front of his Lot at the upper end of the Broad Way adjoining the Sandy Hill & to erect a temporary Fence about eight Feet from his Line for their protection, was read & the Bd determined that the Measure would be bad in precedent & therefore the Request could not be granted: But that Mr Neilson might plant his Trees on the outer Edge of what will in time be the foot Walk of the Street & secure them with Boxes.

A Petition of Wm & Jacob Eames praying the preemption of a new Lease for a Lot of Ground in Augustus Street was read & referred to the Treasr to obtain and report a State of the Facts.

[477] An Application of Robert Watts to have the Boundary Line of his Water Lot adjoining the Fly Market Slip ascertained was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay

issd	James Culbertson for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	John Van Alst for Repairs to public Pumps.....	£6: 7: 6
issd	The Inspectors of Lots &c on Acct.....	$1000

City of New York } ss: At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	George Lindsay
John B Coles	Nichs Carmer
Richard Furman	Thomas Storm
Jotham Post	Mangle Minthorn
Jacob De la Montagnie	William Bayard
Gabriel Furman	Anthony Brown
Theophs Beekman	Philip J Arcularius

[478] The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Steps to be taken by this Board in respect to the subscribing the 2000 Shares in the Manhattan Company reserved by their Charter of Incorporation; And on the Question whether this Bd would subscribe the said Shares it passed in the Affirmative as follows vizt

Affirmative	Negative
Mr Recorder	Aldn DeLaMontagnie
Aldn G Furman	Mr Arcularius
Aldn Post	Mr Storm
Aldn R Furman	Mr Brown
Aldn Beekman	Mr Minthorn
Aldn Coles	Mr Lindsay
Aldn Bogert	7 Mr Bayard
8 Mr Carmer	

Whereas by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed the 2d day of April Instant entitled "An Act for supplying the City of New York with pure & wholesome Water" it is among other Things enacted that it shall & may be lawful for the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York to subscribe to the Stock of "the President & Directors of the Manhattan Company" any number of Shares not exceeding two thousand. And whereas this Board have as aforesaid resolved to subscribe to the said Stock two thousand Shares Therefore resolved that the Treasurer or Chamberlain [479] of this City be & he is hereby authorized & empowered for in the Name & on Account & behalf of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York and their Successors to subscribe two thousand Shares to the said Stock as aforesaid and at the time of such subscription to pay to the said Company such Sum or Sums of Money on account of such Shares as may be required by the said Act & the Rules Orders & Regulations of the said Company.

Ordered that a Copy of this Resolution with the Common Seal affixed & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board be delivered to the Treasurer or Chamberlain.

Ordered that a loan be made of the Bank of New York for five thousand Dollars & that a Bond for the payment thereof with Interest at Six per Ct per Annum be made with the Common Seal affixed & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board.

On reading a Letter from Mr King Minister from the United States to Great Britain it appears that the Notes issued by this Board as small Change have been counterfeited in London.

Whereupon the Bd determined that the said Notes be immediately called out of circulation And that the [480] Treasurer pay for all such of them as shall be brought to him by the first day of June next And that the Clerk notify the Holders of those Notes by a publication in the News Papers accordingly.

A Memorial of Alexander Lamb Keeper of the Debtors Goal of

this City & County relative to the Expences of cleaning the Goal, emptying necessary Tubs &c was read & rejected

The Treasurer reported on the Petition of Wm & Jacob Eames relative to a Lot in Augustus Street; which was read & the consideration thereof postponed

A Representation of the Company of fire Engine No 1 as to its worn out State was read & referred to the Chief Engineer

An Acct of Henry Dawson for Repairs to the Ferry House at Brooklyn; was read & referred to the Committee of Accts

Ordered that Aldn Coles & De la Montagnie & Mr Lindsay be a Committee to enquire into the subject & report the necessary Improvement to the System of extinguishing Fires.

Ordered that Joseph Mott be appointed a weigher of Hay in the Township of Harlem and that he may erect *erect* a Scale for the weighing of Hay to be consumed in the said Township only & to take the usual Fees.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$500
issd	[481] Aldn John Bogert to pay Joseph Baker for a Rope used & destroyed at the late Fire between Cortlandt & Dey's Slips	$4
issd	William Weston for his Services & Expences in surveying & reports on supplyg the City with Water	$799 87/100
issd	Joseph Newton for removing & putting up the Portraits in the City Hall	$58 10/100
issd	Thos Jenkins & Sons for lamp Oil	$842 45/100
issd	John Provo for cleang Wells 6th Wd	£6: 4: 2
issd	The same for the like 4th Wd	£24: 5: 6

City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of April 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert John B Coles Jacob DeLaMontagnie Richard Furman Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm William Bayard Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

Wm Hunter an Assessor for the Bowery Division of the 7th Ward attended & took the Oath of an Assessor.

Ordered that such other of the Assessors as have not yet been sworn be notified to attend for that purpose on Monday next.

[482] The Board having revised and amended the Bye Laws or Ordinances for the good Rule and Government of this City the same were respectively reordained to be and continue in force for one Year viz[t]

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords day called Sunday."

"A Law directing the Uses of the public Seals of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the admission of Free Men in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the paving & keeping in Repair and to prevent Obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate Carts & Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the landing and sale of Hay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York"

[483] "A Law to regulate the sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale and cartage of Manure, Sand & Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Pay of the public Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the Rates of Wharfage."

"A Law to prevent the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York"

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York"

"A Law to prevent the setting of Fences or other Obstructions in the River within the limits & jurisdiction of the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the sale of Horses, to prevent their running loose in the Streets and to prevent racing in the Streets or High Ways in the City of New York"

[484] On Motion of Aldn Coles.

Resolved that it shall be the Duty of the Street Commissioners to take Charge of all the Real Estate & other Rights belonging to this Corporation from which any Revenue is or may be drawn for the purpose of improving the same and encreasing the Revenue thereof And that in order to promote this object it shall be the Duty of the Commissioners in convenient Time to furnish this Board with an accurate List of all such Real Estate & other Rights together with the amount of Revenue at present arising therefrom.

Ordered that Aldn Post & Messrs Minthorn & Arcularius be a Committee to take charge of Belle Vue House & Land and to direct such Things to be done for its preservation as they shall judge necessary.

A Petition for filling up the Exchange Slip was read & the consideration postponed.

A Petition for paving South Street from the Exchange to Coenties Slip was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

A Petition of John Cayler the Tenant in possession under a Lease of David Provoost of a certain Lot of Ground adjoining the new Alms House which this Corporation lately recovered on a [485] Writ of Right praying some Relief against the loss of his Improvements was read & the Board determined to give him until the first day of July next to remove his Improvements on his immediately entering into Bond in $1000 to surrender the Possession of the said Lot by that Day

The Inspectors of Lots presented the follows Report vizt

"That they have examined the Lots complained of in the Petition of Isaac Burr & others and find that some of the Proprietors have complied with the order of the Corporation of last Year by compleating the Bulkhead to the extent of South Street and are now willing (and some of them actually engaged) to fill up their respective Lots provided those who have paid no regard to the former order be compelled to fill in with them. Your Inspectors are therefore of Opinion that Ordinances should immediately pass compelling Thomas Ten Eyck, Mary Brown, John Suydam, John Jones & John Jacob Astor to compleat the Bulkhead to the Extent of South Street and also to compel Saltus Son & Co Isaac Burr, Charles J Richardson, Andrew Ten Eyck, Peter Dustan, James Bailey, Robert McCullum & James R. Smith to fill up their Lots under the penalty of One hundred Dollars

each by the first day of Sept[r] next with this [486] further condition If they do not commence filling in one Month from the Date of the Ordinance. That the Corporation will Immediately complete the Work at the Expence of the proprietors according to Law. Your Inspectors are well aware the time mentioned is too short for the final completion of the work but are satisfied so much of it may be done in the time as to prevent any further cause of Complaint

They have taken the Petition of Anthony Post and others relative to filling in the Slip at the foot of Liberty Street into Consideration and are of the Opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted and an Ordinance be passed for carrying the same into effect

They further Report they have examined the Store complained of in the Petition of John Sulivan and others and have taken the necessary measures for removing the Cause of Complaint

Your Inspectors beg leave to mention that in their Opinion the Corporation ought to take Immediate measures for filling up the Lot belonging to the Estate of Peter Cuyler. and that the most proper mode to carry this Object into effect would be to appoint a Committee with powers to contract with some suitable person for the purpose

Your Inspectors beg leave further to represent the Slip at the foot of Roosevelt Street as being in a filthy and unwholesome Situation. they have been Witnesses to its running bare at low tides for a considerable distance and are well Assured it is the Receptacle for almost all the filth of the Neighbourhood they would therefore recommend the filling up the said Slip without Delay"

Ordered that the Alderman & Assistant of the 2[d] Ward enquire into the Circumstances of the said Lot of Peter Cuyler & report to the Board what is proper to be done with respect to the said Lot

[487] Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 4[th] Ward take order for filling up the said Slip at the end of Liberty Street as mentioned in the said Report And that the Street Commissioners do the like with respect to the Water Lot at the end of Roosevelt Street.

An Ordinance was passed by the Board for compelling Thomas Ten Eyck, Mary Brown John Suydam, John Jones and John Jacob Astor to compleat the Wharf in front of their respective Lots to the extent of South Street and also to compel Saltus Son & C[o] Isaac Burr, Charles J Richardson, Andrew Ten Eyck, Peter Dustan James Bailey, Robert M[c]Cullam and James R Smith to fill up their respective Water Lots by the first day of Sept[r] next under the penalty of one hundred Dollars each and further that if they do not commence the Work within one Month from the date of the Ordinance this Board will

cause the Work to be done at the expence of the Proprietors according to Law

[488] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Theophs Beekman Esqr one of the Police Justices for his Allowance	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie one other of the said Justices for the like	$187 50/100
issd	Bernard O Blenis their Clerk	$62 50/100
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 6th day of May 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius	Assistts
Gabriel Furman		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Nichs Carmer	
Theophs Beekman		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman		Thomas Storm	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	

Mr Recorder & the Members having Inspected the State and Condition of the several Wards of the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that [489] they had examined the Accts of the Commissrs as to their Receipts and Expenditures and compared them with the Vouchers & found them Right.

The Expenditures of the Alms House for the last Quarter amounting to	£2414: 13: 3½
& those of the Bridewell to	899: 18: 4½

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Qr was read & approved by the Board vizt

For the Alms House	£3500: —: —
For the Bridewell	£1000: —: —

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrt on the Treasr for issd paymt thereof

John H Sickels & Andrew McGown Assessors appeared & took the Oaths as prescribed by the Charter

Edmund Seaman & Anthony L Bleecker elected Assessors for the 2d Ward appeared & signified to the Board their refusal to execute the Office Whereupon an Election was ordered to be held at the City Hall on Monday next of two Assessors in their stead.

The Street Commissioners reported in favor of the Petition read at the last Meeting for paving South Street from Coenties Slip to the Exchange Slip And an Ordinance was passed accordingly.

[490] Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Justices of the £10 Court.....	$456
issd	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps.....	£93: 7: 2
issd	Menasseh Salter for a Carpet in the Ct Chancery Room	£11: 7: 2
issd	Richard Furman for 1 Year Salary as St Commissioner	$500
issd	Archd Dunlap for repairs Wells & Pumps in 1st 2d & 3d Wards	£32:18: 7
issd	The Clerks at the late Election of Senators & Members of Assemy	$112

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of May 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles John Bogert Jotham Post Gabriel Furman Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Thomas Storm George Lindsay	Assistts

Charles Loss having been duly naturalized as a Citizen of the United States Ordered that a Warrant appointing him a Surveyor of this City be made out agreable to the Order of the 5th Novr last

The Legislature having by an Act passed at their last Session among other Things enacted that it should be lawful for this Board to borrow on the credit of this State a Sum not exceeding forty five [491] thousand Dollars to be applied towards discharging the Expence incurred in relieving the Distresses of this City occasioned by the late Epidemic which prevailed here and that the Legislature would make Provision for the repayment of the Monies so to be borrowed; The Board determined that in pursuance of the said Act a loan be made of the Bank of New York for that Sum at an Interest of six per Cent per annum And a Bond from this Corporation to the President Directors & Company of the Bank of New York with a Condition that if the Legislature should provide for the repayment of the said Monies with Interest as aforesaid then the Obligation of the said Bond to be void else to remain in full force, was read & approved by

the Board And the Common Seal was affixed thereto & Mr Mayor was requested to sign it on behalf of the Board.

iss[d] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay the Administrator of Effie Davis the Sum of £39:19:8 being Monies found with her at her decease in the Alms House.

A proposal of Peter Porter to raise & remove two sunken Hulks at the Corporation Wharf was read & referred to the Street Commissioners to take order thereon.

[492] A Petition of Robert Gilchrist was read praying Compensation for the Ground of the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt decd taken for the public Use by the Alteration of Greenwich Street immediately after the late War was read & the Board determined that they would consent to the appointment of one Person on their part another on the part of the Petitioner & a third to be chosen by the two to enquire into the subject & to report to the Board

The following Letter from a Committee of the Manhattan Company was read vizt "Sir. The Manhattan Company on the 6th Instant passed the following Resolution. "Resolved that Samuel Osgood John B Coles and John Stevens be a Committee to treat for any Ground in the vicinity of the City suitable for a Well & Reservoir and Report to the Board at their next Meeting."

Conformably to the above Resolution the Committee request Information from the Corporation of the City of New York respecting Lands formerly occupied by Mr Christopher Colles for a Well & Reservoir which they are informed belong to the Corporation.

First. Whether they are willing to sell the same to the Manhattan Company & the value they put them at

second. Whether the Corporation may prefer leasing them forever: If so at what rate by the Year for a Lot of one hundred by twenty five feet

[493] Thirdly. Whether the Corporation will permit the Manhattan Company to occupy the Grounds aforesaid until it shall be ascertained whether the Waters are pure and wholesome and also adequate to the supplying of the City and if a failure should be found in either Respect, then to give up the Grounds leaving them in the state they fiind them, otherwise, then to enter into a Treaty with the Corporation for those Grounds.

We request you Sir to lay this Letter before the Corporation of the City of New York & we have appointed Mr John B Coles on our

behalf to receive such Answer as they may be pleased to communicate to him.

New York 10th May 1799 We have the honor to be with great Respect Sir Your most humble Servt

Richard Varick Esqr Samuel Osgood
John B Coles.

Whereupon the Board proceeded to the Consideration of the said Letter And with respect to the first & second Questions they were postponed for further consideration

The third & last Question as to the occupying of the Grounds for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity & quality of the Water the Board assent to And the Street Commissioners with Aldn DelaMontagnie were appointed to examine and report to the Board the Bounds State & quantity of the Ground.

[494] On Motion of Aldn DeLaMontagne Ordered that the Clerk return a List of Measurers of Grain &c & Inspectors of Fire Wood.

Abraham Brinckerhoff & John Jones elected Assessors for the second Ward, at the Election ordered at the last Meeting in the stead of Edmund Seaman & Anthony L Bleecker who refused to serve & Moses Rogers elected at the late annual Election Assessor for the third Ward attended & took the Oath prescribed by the Charter.

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Petition for filling up the Exchange Slip & on the Question for granting the Prayer of the said Petition it passed in the Negative in manner following vizt

Affirmative	Negative
Mr Recorder	Aldn G Furman
Aldn Coles	Aldn Post
Aldn DeLaMontagnie	Mr Brown
Aldn Bogert	Mr Arcularius
	Mr Carmer
	Mr Storm
	Mr Minthorn
	Mr Lindsay

Ordered that the Street Commissioners do as possible employ the Mud Drudge in cleaning out the said Slip to a proper Depth of Water.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City vizt

Engine No 11 David Cargill 2d Ward Grocer vice Joseph George resigned.

Abraham Van Nest 2d Ward Sadler vice Francis Manny resigned.

Abraham Martlings 1st Wd Cooper vice Joseph Williams removed into the Country.

[495] Richard Cottrell 1st Wd Cooper vice Francis Cooper resigned.

& William Lake 2d Wd Cordwainer vice John Annely resigned.

Engine No 20 Joseph Thompson 3d Wd Grocer vice Nathl Woodward resigned

Engine No 24 William Donaldson 4th Ward Coachmaker vice Wm Rollinson resign'd

Engine No 13 John Barre 3d Wd Grocer vice John Alstyn removed into Country.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Charles Dickenson for Coroners Inquests on dead Bodies	£30: 6:—
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£129: 7: 6
issd	Willson Rawson for the like	$1800
issd	David Marshall for superintendg the City burying Gd	£23: 2:—
issd	Henry White as Clk of Election for 2 Assessors 2d Ward	£0:16:—
issd	Nicholas Carmer for Repairs & Improvemts at the Alms House	£569:15: 9
issd	The same for the like at Bridwell	£79: 9: 6
issd	The same for the like at the Gaol	£57: 3:10¼
issd	The same for the like & superintending the Enclosure in front of the Bridewell &c	£81:18:—
issd	The same for the like to & workg the Mud Drudge in cleang Slips	£165:15: 1
issd	The same for a Fence & plantg Trees at the City burygd Ground	£98: 7: 2
issd	The same for Repairs to City Hall	£108:17: 6
issd	The same for a new Well & Pump near the Goal	£168:13: 6
issd	[496] The same for Repairs to the Ferry Stairs at Brooklyn	£77:14: 2
issd	The same for Stone on the Outside of the Battery	£169:—:—
issd	The same for Repairs to Streets	£133: 5:11
issd	The same for a fire Engine Hs & 2 Watchmens Boxes	£24: 5: 3
issd	The same for Repairs to public Docks & Slips	£7:16: 6
issd	The same for Repairs at Belle Vue Hospital	£19: 2: 8
issd	The same for his Services in superintendg the above	£144:16:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of May 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, Jacob De La Montagnie, Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldn

Nicholas Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, Thomas Storm, George Lindsay, Philip J Arcularius, William Bayard } Assistts

In pursuance of the Act of the Legislature for the Inspection of Sole Leather the Bd proceeded to the appointment of an Inspector & weigher of Sole Leather in this City in the place of Robert Towt deceased [497] And Peter McCartee was appointed accordingly.

The Clerk according to the order of the last Meeting presented a Return of public Measurers & also of the Inspectors of fire Wood & the following Persons appeared on enquiry to be living & in the exercise of those Offices vizt

	Abraham Van Gelder	Measurer of Lime	
	Gerard Bancker Junr	do	do
Lime	Jaspar Stanton	do	do
	William Heyer	do	do
	Uzziah Coddington	do	do
	Luke C Quick	Measurer of Grain	
	William Wamsley	do	do
	Daniel Van Antwerp	do	do
	William A Forbes	do	do
	Joseph Earle	do	do
	John D. Tier	do	do
	Daniel Lawrence	do	do
	John Latham	do	do
Grain	Andrew Hegeman	do	do
	Aaron Howell	do	do
	Jacob Mott	do	do
	Samuel Arnet	do	do
	William Ballard	do	do
	James Gibson	do	do
	William Terry	do	do
	John Wright	do	do
	Samuel Bleecker	do	do
	Patrick McGuire	do	do
	Thomas Bushfield	do	do
	Joseph Pearson	Measurer of Timber	
Timber	Thomas Ogilvie	do	do
	Lancaster Burling	do	do
	Elihu Marshall	do	do

[498] Inspectors of fire Wood.

	John Brogden	from White Hall to the Exchange Slip
	Joseph Devoe, Isaac Chardavoine	at Coenties Slip
	William Allen	Coffee House Slip
East River	James Johnson	Burling & Beekmans Slips
	James Black, Alexr Richie	Pecks Slip
	Peter King, Henry Beekman, Valentine Arnold	from James Slip to Rutgers Slip
	Cornes Voorhis	from Dennings Wharf Northward
	Thomas Eagles	from Dennings Wharf to the Nº side Corporation Wharf
Hudson River	Henry Crum	from the Corporation Wharf to the Bason
	Martin Crygier	from the Bason to Bonsalls Wharf
	Magnus Garrit	from Bonsalls to Swartwoudts

Ordered that the Names of the above Measurers be published.

A Petition of Jona Pearssee & Thomas Ash Lessees of the public Slips & Wharfs last Year stating certain Losses in the collection of Fees for Wharfage & Slippage by reason of the Epidemic which prevailed last Year & praying that the amount of those Losses agreable to an account thereof accompanying their Petition may be allowed & passed to their credit in their settlemt [499] with the Treasurer; was read & rejected At the same [time] the Board consent that they may use the name of the Corporation in any suit they may commence for the recovery of the Monies due to them for Fees as aforesaid provided this Board stand indemnified against any Costs which may accrue

Ordered that Mr Carmer take order for the Erection of a fire Engine House on the Alms House Yard for the two Engines imported from Hamburgh

On reading a Request of Robt Bowne on behalf of the Society of People called Quakers they may be permitted to strew Tanners Bark in the Street in front of their Meeting House to prevent interruption from the Noise of passing Carriages during their approaching General Meeting; to be removed & the Street cleaned immediately after the Meeting ends.

On reading a Representation of the Treasr as to the delinquency of some of the Assessors the Board direct that he take such Measures on the subject as the Law directs.

A Petition of Gerard[s] Deforest proposing to remove the landing Place of Hoboock Ferry to Harrison Street where he will undertake to make a Slip or Bason for the Ferry Boats. was read & rejected.

A Petition for regulating & digging out Catharine Street in the 6[th] Ward was read & referred to the S[t] Commiss[rs]

[500] The Board conceiving the taking down of the Corner House at the City Hall inexpedient at present direct that the Treas[r] let 'till the first of May next

On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots an Ordinance was passed for filling up with wholesome Earth certain sunken Lots in the sixth Ward bounded on Barley Street, Hudson Street & Chapel Street, by 1[st] July next

And for paving the East side of Chatham Street from James Street to Cath[n] Street And for raising the Wharf & paving the East side of Pecks Slip.

Ordered that John M Riker Taylor be appointed a fire Man to Engine N[o] 8 vice Ab[m] Chadwick resigned

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	Rob[t] Gentle for 1 lost fire Buckets.....	$2
iss[d]	The Commiss[rs] of Streets on Acc[t].....	$1000
iss[d]	Rinier Skaats for one Q[r] Salary & disbursem[ts].....	£20:12:—
iss[d]	David King for necessaries furnished by order of Com[n] Council	£3: 9:—
iss[d]	James Woods for Repairs to Lamps.....	£18: 3: 3

[501] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday May 27[th] 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John Bogert Gabriel Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John B Coles Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Thomas Storm George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Anthony Brown	Assist[ts]

A Petition of Isaac Van Vleck in behalf of himself & Samuel Breese & Daniel Denniston surviving Trustees named in a certain Partition Deed made between them & others of a certain Piece of Land lying near the Kalkhook in the sixth Ward was read setting forth that in consequence of an Agreem[t] between this Board & the said Trustees the conveyances from them & the Tenants lately in possession of the Triangular Piece of Ground adjoining the northerly side

of the Alms House Yard are now ready for delivery to this Board in exchange for other Lands; suggesting, if it be deemed proper by this [502] Board that the Conveyance for the Lots to be given in exchange may be made solely to him in Trust for all those interested as he is the acting Trustee & the others residing out of Town; And praying the Board to make such Order in the Premisses as shall be deemed requisite.

Ordered that the Release from this Bd be prepared & reported to the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Mary Van Bremen the Interest due on the $150 deposited by Wm Harrison the reputed father of a Bastard Child of Elenor Van Bremen the Daughter of the said Mary Van Bremen

iss[d]

A Representation of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell relative to a Store House for the use of those Insti[tu]tions was read & referred to Aldn G Furman to report a Plan with Estimate of the Expence.

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of each Ward take Order for the obtaining new Lists of Jurors by the 20th June and that the Clerk provide the necessary Books.

Ordered that Harry Poody, a black Man, be permitted to use the vacant Piece of Ground, lying between the Piece of the Common Lands in his Occupation & the Lands of the Dove Tavern near the five Mile Stone, from Year to Year during the pleasure of the Board on his paying therefor at the rate of Ten Dollars per annum.

[503] Ordered that Mr Carmer take order for enclosing the old Potters field burying Ground.

Samuel Burling elected at the late annual Election Assessor for the 3d Ward attended & took the Affirmation by the Charter required.

A Petition for regulating & paving Henry Street from George Street to Charlotte Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

On a Representation of the Street Commissrs & Inspectors of Lots relative to the sunken State of part of first & Grand Streets An Ordinance was passed requiring the Owners of the Lots fronting thereon to raise those Streets by the 15th June next under a Penalty of $25 each Lot

A Petition of Zadock Hedden as to the Interruption to the landing of the Hobcock Ferry Boats by Vessels lying at the Stairs was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

Ordered that an Ordinance be prepared requiring the Proprietors of Lots when the Timber which supports the front of the side Walks of the Streets shall be decayed and require to be repaired that Stone be substituted in the place of Wood.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	John Ashfied, John Arden & John B Pots each $2 for a lost fire Bucket each	$6.
issd	Goodeve & Brown fo[r] a Box Candles	£3: 1: 6
issd	[504] Bernard O Blenis Clerk of the Police Office for 1 Mth Services	$62 89/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman John Bogert Richard Furman Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer George Lindsay Mangel Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Thomas Storm	Assistts

On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots &c Ordinances were passed for raising the Cellars of certain Houses in Roosevelt & Rutgers Street in the 5th Wd And certain sunken Lots in the 6th Ward

A Law was also passed for substituting Stone in place of Wood in front of the foot or side Walks of the Streets.

A Petition of Samuel Richards for Relief on a Suit commenced against him on the Law for regulating the Building of Houses to prevent fires was read and rejected.

Petitions of George Lewis, Alexr Dunlap & John Grant for an extention of their Grants into the East River were read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

[505] An Estimate for the paving of the East side of Pecks Slip was read & ratified by the Board And Thomas J Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Street.

Ordered that Esther Gomez be permitted to take up the Street to repair a Drain from the Cellar under the direction of the Aldn & Assistt of the Ward.

The follow[g] Regulations of Streets as reported by the Street Commissioners were read & approved by the Board viz.

S[o] Street.

Regulation of South Street from the Exchange Slip to Coenties Slip.

"At the midway between the two Slips it must be raised 2 feet 10 Inches & at the Corner at Coenties Slip 5 Inches above the foot Walk which leaves a Descent from the middle of the Block towards each Slip of 2 Inches on 10 feet."

Regulation Of Church Street from Barley S[t] to the intersection of Catharine Street.

"From the Pavement at Barley Street to Thomas Street with an ascent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet. In consequence at the extent of 125 feet it must be raised 6 Inches At the intersection of Thomas Street 2 feet 2 Inches Thence with a descent of 2 Inches on 10 feet to the extent of 125 feet it requires raising 1 foot And at the intersection of Catharine Street it requires digging 2 feet 5 Inches"

Ordered that the follow[g] Persons be appointed Fire Men.

Engine N[o] 10	Samuel Winship	Butcher	7[th] W[d]
	John Fitzgerald	d[o]	d[o]
	William Kline	d[o]	d[o]
	John Winship	d[o]	d[o]
	Lancaster Palmer	Grocer	d[o]
	Jona[n] Pinckney	d[o]	d[o]
vice	John Coutant	dec[d]	
	Jacob Blanck	removed from the City	
	Aaron Place	d[o]	
	James Ryckman	resigned	
	Hazael Meyers	removed	
	Matthias Goodman	displaced	

[506] Engine N[o] 13 John Fitzpatrick vice Samuel Brewster resigned

N[o] 17 Henry Thorn Boat builder vice W[m] Fosbrook resigned.

N[o] 13 John Hitchcock 3[d] W[d] Grocer vice Gilbert Woodhull dec[d]

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on Acc[t]	$800
iss[d]	Tho[s] Collister 1 lost fire Bucket	$2
iss[d]	Benj[a] Romaine for 2 d[o]	$4
iss[d]	George Furman for repair[g] Lamps	£25: 8: 9
iss[d]	John Furman for print[g] Bye Laws	$55[13]/[100]
iss[d]	Peter A Messier for ruled Books to take new List of Jurors	£1: 16: —
iss[d]	Peter Cole for light[g] Lamps	£99: 14: 2

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 12th day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Jotham Post, Gabriel Furman, Theophs Beekman, John B Coles } Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard, Anthony Brown, Mangle Minthorn, Thomas Storm, Philip J Arcularius } Assistts

Ordered that the Treasurer pay the second payment on the Shares subscribed by order of this Board to the Manhattan Company.

Also that he pay off the Bond from this Bd to Frederick Van Cortlandt

A Petition of Abm Bodoin complains of an offensive Privy on an adjoining Lot belonging to the [507] Estate of Thomas Jones decd was read & referred to the Inspectors of Lots under the Health Law.

An Acct of the Commissrs of the Alms House stating the Expence of supporting two Negro's formerly belonging to Wm Axtell decd whose Estate was confiscated. was read & referred to Mr Recorder to examine the Law on that subject.

A Request of David Ross, Tenant for Repair to Brooklyn Ferry House was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs.

Ordered that Aldn Post & De La Montagnie & Mr Bayard be a Committee to devise & report a more œconomical System for repairing the public Wells & Pumps.

Ordered that Mr Carmer take Charge of the Bowling Green in front of the Govt House to keep it in order & to cut the Grass for the public Horses.

Ordered that the St Commissioners report to the Board the most proper manner of disposing of the Soil between high and low Water Mark in Hudson River at Greenwich

Mr Mayor communicated to the Board a Letter from the Committee of the Manhattan Company to him in which they signify that they will want a Part of the enclosed Ground in front of the Bridewell to raise a Reservoir for supplying the City with Water Whereupon Aldn Post & De La Montagnie & Mr Bayard were appointed a Committee for conference on the subject & to report the Result to the Board.

Ordered that David Angevine 5th Wd Grocer be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Compy No 2 vice Daniel Halsted removed

And Daniel Dominick 5th Wd Carpenter to Engine No 17 vice Obadiah Helms.

[508] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct	$500
issd	John Provo for cleang Wells in the 4 & 5th Wards	£35:15: 8
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Marshall Jenkins for lamp Oil	£90: 1: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
John Bogert		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		George Lindsay	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Nicholas Carmer	
Richard Furman		Thomas Storm	

An Estimates & Assessments for paving South Street from the Exchange Slip to Coenties Slip and Pearl Street from Rutgers Street to Van De Water Street were respectively read & ratified by the Board And George Gosman was appointed to collect the Monies on that for South Street & to pave the said Street And John Cheesman to collect the Monies on that for Pearl Street and to pave the said Street.

A Petition of Gerrit Van Wagenen to sing anothe[r] Well in Beekman Slip Street and to lay a Drain [509] to lead the Bye Water from his Cellar was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Request of Abm Bloodgood to take up Franckfort Street to lay a Drain from his Cellar to the Common Sewer was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Mr Mayor informed the Board that some time ago an insane Man by the name of Thomas White Garrigues had left in his Office 32 black felt Hats, a Red embroidered Saddle Housing & two Hair Braids, and requested the Board to direct some disposition of those Articles And it was ordered that the Treasurer sell them & deposit the Money in the Treasury

Ordered that Robert Perine of the 1st Wd Grocer be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 1 vice John Grainger resigned

and Wm Creed 3d Ward Grocer to Engine No 13 vice George Seal removed.

The Inspectors of Lots &c reported that the Cellars of certain Houses in Pearl, Chesnut James & Roosevelt Streets in the 5th Ward required raising to prevent the Water remaining therein stagnant & recommended the passing of An Ordinance for raising them with wholesome Earth by the 1st July next. Whereupon an Ordinance was passed by the Board for that purpose accordingly.

They further reported that part of Bancker Street between Chesnut & Roosevelt Street was in a filthy Condition to remedy which they recommended a Gutter to be laid between the two Streets and the paving of the intersection of Bancker and Rutgers Streets Whereupon the Bd direct the Inspectors to cause it to be done at the public Expence [510] and they further reported that they had inspected the digging out of the Broad Way Barley & Ann Streets and that in their Opinion Philip Ruckle had executed that Work agreable to his Contract with this Board and therefore recommend that his Bond be delivered up to him

Ordered that the said Bond be delivered up accordingly.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs take order for the paving of Tryon Row Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Charles Loss Surveyor on Acct.....	$50
issd	Joshua Pell for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	$4
issd	Henry Post for 1 do.....	$2
issd	John Provo for cleaning Wells 7th Ward.....	£6:17: 4
issd	Arthur Smith for repairs to Wells 6th Wd.....	£5:13: 6
issd	Commissrs of Roads for expences on viewing the Roads	£5: 7: 6
issd	Henry Verveelen for the paving of East Chambers Street	£154:18: 6

[511] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of June 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer
Gabriel Furman		William Bayard
Jacob De LaMontagnie		George Lindsay
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius
Theophs Beekman		Mangle Minthorne
John B Coles		Thomas Storm

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the Application of Abijah Hammond read on the 13th May last: in which he proposes to convey to this Corporation parcel of his Land on the Bank of Hudson

River at Greenwich for a public Market place and for Streets on Condition that this Board will grant him the soil between high & low Water Mark and also the Right of a Ferry there for thirty Years or such Term as to the Board may seem fit. Whereupon the Board determined that Mr Hammonds proposal could not be acceded to at present But that he might be permitted to erect a Wharf into the River in front of Hammonds Street as a landing place for the accommodation of himself and the public.

A Representation of the Sherif relative to certain Repairs required to the Debtors Goal; was read & referred to the Committee for Repairs to take order.

Ordered that Thomas Hutchins be permitted to sell Coffee at the Hudson Market

[512] On a Suggestion that much of the fire Wood brought to this City for sale is deficient in length and that the Inspectors are not sufficiently vigilent in the execution of the Law on that subject.

Ordered that an extract of that part of the Law be republished with a notification to the Inspectors that unless they do their Duty and cause the Law to be strictly enforced they will be removed from Office.

On reading a Petition of James Amory for relief on a Suit brought against him on the Law for regulating Buildings & to prevent Fires was read; And it appearing that he had taken down the Building complained of & erected another in it's place agreable to Law, The Board direct that on his paying the Prosecutors half of the Penalty with the Costs accrued the Suit be discontinued And for the like Cause & on the like Terms the Board also direct the Suit against Samuel Richards to be discontinued

The Inspectors of Lots reported that the Cellars of certain Houses in Moore Street were in a wet & filthy situation & required raising with wholesome Earth Whereupon an Ordinance for the purpose was passed accordingly.

A Petition for the sinking of a Well in Cathn Street was read & granted under the Direction of the Aldn & Assist of the Ward.

And a Petition for the like in the Broad Way above the Hospital was referred to the Street Commissioners.

[513] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

"The Committee appointed to consider and report what will be a proper Compensation to the Recorder of this City for Services performed & hereafter to be performed Report that they are of Opinion in

case the Recorder give Council to the Corporation on all legal Questions in which their Interest may be affected & investigate & state the Facts which may be requisite for the purpose. That he commence prosecute & defend all Suits in which the Corporation may be concerned without any Charge (except for disbursements) and report a State of the Case thereof to the Board if required: And that he examine and correct all Contracts & Grants made by the Corporation And prepare all such Bye Laws and correct the old ones when it shall be deemed necessary with all such Laws as the Board may apply for to the Legislature the same to be engrossed & copied by the Clerk as heretofore; That as a consideration for such Services he be allowed five hundred Dollars per Annum commencing the first day of Sept^{r} last

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
John B Coles

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t}	$700
iss^{d}	Ald^{n} Coles towards filling a Water Lot of the Estate of Henry Cuyler dec^{d}	$300
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[514] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of July 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}: Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Theoph^{s} Beekman, John Bogert, Jacob De La Montagnie, Richard Furman

Assist^{ts}: George Lindsay, Mangle Minthorn, William Bayard, Philip J Arcularius, Thomas Storm

A Plan of Timothy Hurst to prevent the noxtious Effluvia from the Common Sewers was presented to the Board & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that the Street Commissioners take order for removing the Building from the Lot at the East End of the Alms House lately recovered of ..... Provoost

On a Report of the Inspectors of Lots &^{c} Ordinances were passed.

For raising certain Lots in the sixth Ward and certain Cellars in Ferry Street Rutgers Street & a Lot in Stone Street.

Also for raising the sunken part of Magazine Street And paving Birmingham Alley in the 7th Ward.

An Ordinance was also passed for continuing the Pavement of Chambers Street in front of the Alms House to Augustus Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts to pay

issd	Cornrs J Bogert for Costs in the Suit brought agt this Board for Gd of the Estate of Nichs Roosevelt decd taken to improve Greenwich Street.....	£31:18: 9
	Bernard O Blenis Clk of the Police Office.....	62^{50}/_{100}$

[515] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday July 8th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn
John B Coles
Theophs Beekman

Nichs Carmer
Anthony Brown
George Lindsay
Mangle Minthorn } Assists
Philip J Arcularius
William Bayard

Mr Recorder signified to the Board his acceptance of the Allowance made to him for his Services agreable to the Report of the Committee read and agreed to by the Board at the last Meeting.

A Petition of Dr Nicholas Romaine relative to an intended improvement to his Wharf at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

The Board agree to accept Notes with approved Security payable in three payments vizt the 1st Augt 1st Septr & 1st Octr from Martin Morison Collector of the 7th Ward for the Monies which remain due of the Taxes in the said Ward.

Ordered that Robert Hurtin of the 4th Wd Printer be appointed a fireman to Engine No 24 vice Hugh McDougall resigned.

Aldn G Furman of the Committee appoin[ted] to cause a Survey to be made of the new Road laid out and continued from the [516] Road leading from the new Bridge over Harlem River, through the Lands of John P Waldron, Joseph Mott, Peter Benson Sampson Benson, Lawrence Benson & the Common Lands of the Township of Harlem, to a Station on the Post Road between the 6 & 7 Mile Stones so as to meet the new Road lately laid out and made, through the City Common Lands, called the middle

Road, presented to the Board a Map or Survey of the said first mentioned new Road; which was approved by the Board and filed in the Clerks Office And Ald[n] Furman further reported to the Board that due Notice had been given to the Proprietors of the Lands through which the said Road must pass, that the said Lands are required for the said Road and that on a proposition made to the said Proprietors with respect to the Recompence which ought to be made to them respectively for the said Lands required for the said Road they had refused to treat & agree for the same.

Whereupon it was ordered by the Board that M[r] Mayor be requested to cause a Precept to be issued for summoning & returning a Jury to determine the Recompence due to the said Proprietors as by Law is directed.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	The Street Commiss[rs] on Acc[t]	$500
iss[d]	Peter Cole for lighting Lamps	£95: 1:—
iss[d]	Donaldson & Ferguson for Lamp Posts	£11: 1:—
iss[d]	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£264 :12: 6
iss[d]	Joseph Tyler for a public Dinner on 4[th] July	£50:—:—
	James Culbertson for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
	Hugh Gobell for the like	£62: 2: 6

[517] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15[th] day of July 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	George Lindsay	Assist[ts]
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post		Nich[s] Carmer	
Theoph[s] Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Anthony Brown	
Richard Furman			
John B Coles			

Ordered that M[r] Recorder proceed ag[t] Frederick Rhinelander by Ejectment or otherwise for any Intrusion on the Right of this Corporation to the Soil in Hudson River.

On reading Petitions of Tamar OBrien & Peter V Tilyou for Relief ag[t] Suits commenced under the Law for regulating Buildings the Board determine to relinquish the Moiety of the Penalty on the Buildings being taken down

Ordered that Frederick Wiessenfels & William Huttell be appointed Guagers of Liquors in this City.

Ordered that the Committee on the Subject with Mr Mangin obtain the engraving of the new Map, lately made of this City, by Mr Maverick or other competent Person on the best Terms they can.

[518] On reading a Memorial of Dr Nichs Romain relative to the laying out the Streets at Corlaers Hook The Board determine & order that the East & West Streets on Rutger's Land be continued through the Lands to the Eastward to the East River or until they intersect Grand Street "That Scammel Street be encreased to the Breadth of "fifty feet*" And that Ferry Street be of the same breadth of And "that there be no other Street between Montgomery Street & Scam-"mel Street" nor between Scammel Street & Ferry Street.

A Petition for a Well in Broad Way near Leonard & Catharine Streets was read & granted on the usual Terms.

A Petition of David Crone to sink a Well in the Street to draw the Bye Water from his Cellar was read & rejected

Ordered that the Treasr negociate a Loan of the Manhattan Company for five thousand Dollars that a Bond from this Corporation with the Common Seal affixed be made out for the payment of the said Sum with Interest at six per Cent & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that Daniel Huestis of the 6th Ward Grocer be appointed a fireman to Engine No 6 vice Isaac Hadley resigned

An Ordinance was passed for paving front Street from Pecks Slip to Waltons Alley.

[519] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$600
issd	Wm Van Wyck for Gun Powder on the 4th July.....	£92:16:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for the ringing of the Bells on the 4th July	£7: 4:—
issd	Theophs Beekman for his Services as a Police Justice..	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie for the like.....	$187 50/100
issd	John Provo for cleans Wells in 6th & 7th Wards.....	£20:17:10

* Marginal note reads *50 feet; see Minutes on the 24th next.* This note is difficult of comprehension.—Ed.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Saturday July 20th 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Theophs Beekman, Jotham Post, Jacob De La Montagnie, Gabriel Furman, Richard Furman, John Bogert } Esqrs Aldn

Nichs Carmer, George Lindsay, Philip J Arcularius, William Bayard } Assistts

The following Admonition & Caution to the Inhabitants was proposed & presented to the Board by Mr Recorder which was read & agreed to And it was ordered that 2000 Copies be printed in Hand Bills to be distributed. vizt

[520] The Peace of the City having been disturbed for several Nights successively by Crouds of Apprentices and other disorderly Persons who have assembled in a tumultuous Manner with the avowed Intention of distroying a House at the South East Corner of Greenwich & Murray Streets; and it being represented to the Board that a number of peaceable & well disposed Citizens have joined those Crouds as Spectators only, from mere Motives of Curiosity; by which Means it has been rendered difficult for the Magistrates to disperse the Mob, or to distinguish the Guilty from the Innocent In order therefore to remedy these Evils all well disposed Citizens are admonished & cautioned not to be present at any such Assembly, unless they shall repair to the same for the purpose of repressing Disorder in aid of the civil Magistrates & under their direction.

All Persons who shall in future be found with those concerned in any Tumult will be apprehended as Parties to the same & prosecuted with the utmost Rigor that the Law will justify.

The Citizens are further cautioned to restrain their Children, Servants and Apprentices from such illegal Meetings; which have a direct tendancy to corrupt their Morals, endanger the public tranquility & bring the Laws & Government of their Country into Contempt

[521] Every prudent Citizen must be convinced that the Law is adequate to the punishment of all Offences, and that there is an End of public & private Security, when Redress is sought with Impunity in any other Mode

The Board returned Thanks to the Officers & Privates of the several Corps of Militia who have assisted or offered their Services in suppressing the late Riots & apprehending the Rioters. Their Zeal Activity & Perseverance reflect honor on themselves & afford a sure Pledge for the future preservation of the Peace of this City.

City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of July 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

William Bayard
Nicholas Carmer
Thomas Storm
Mangle Minthorn
George Lindsay
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

A Petition of John Jacob Astor to erect a Building on the old Line of Liberty Street was read & the Board determined that the Prayer could not be granted.

[522] Petitions of Benjamin Taylor, Abiel Brown & George Lamplin for Relief on Suits brought against them for erecting Houses in violation of the Law for regulating Buildings, were read & the usual Relief was granted.

The Committee on the subject of Wells & Pumps reported to the Board that in their Opinion it would be adviseable, on the score of Œconomy, to appoint a proper Person to take charge of all the public Wells & Pumps in this City, subject to the direction & controul of the Persons annual[ly] appointed in each Ward according to Law; which was agreed to by the Board & the same Committee were directed to enquire for a suitable Person & report the same together with Instructions in respect to his Duty & a suitable Compensation

On reading a Report of the Street Comtee An Ordinance was passed for filling up & raising Magazine Street.

The Board consent that the Manhattan Company erect a Reservoir for supplying the City with Water on the No East Corner of the Alms House Yard.

Ordered that Robert Stanton Junr of the 5th Wd Ship Chandler be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 17th vice Peter R Kissam decd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	James Culbertson for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

An Ordinance was passed for filling up Magazine Street agreable to regulation.

[523] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of July 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Gabriel Furman Jotham Post Theophs Beekman John B Coles John Bogert Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard George Lindsay Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Philip Arcularius Thomas Storm	Assistts

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay John Thurman Exr of John Thurman decd £200: 10: 6 with Interest at five per Cent from the 3d day of Septr 1789 in full compensation for Ground taken into Greenwich Street agreable to the Award of the Commissioners made to the Common Council & entered on the Minutes on the 3d day of March 1789.

issd

A Petition of John Holdron relative to the bad Condition of the Ferry Stairs at Cortlandt Slip & of the great Interruption to the Ferry Boats by Vessels coming into & crouding the said Slip was read & that part respecting the Stairs was referred to the Street Commissrs with Mr Lindsay; And the Ordinance formerly passed for prohibiting any Vessels coming into the said Slip was reordained.

Ordered that the same Committee treat with Mr Ash the Lessee of the public Docks & Slips relative to their taking them for the ensuing Year

[524] A Petition of Isaac Clawson & Danl Ludlow for permission to erect a Lime House in front Street in front of their Lots whereon they intend to erect Houses & also to dig up the Ground to lay the Foundations was read & that part which respects the erecting of a Lime House was granted But the Board refused to grant permission to dig up or open any made or filled in Ground during the Season of Warm Weather

Petitions of James Connelly & Francis Barret for Relief on Suits commenced agt them on the Building Law were read & the usual Relief was granted.

On a Report of the Inspectors of Lots Ordinances under the Health Law were passed for filling up the Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slip.

& For filling up cleaning & paving Birmingham Alley in the 7th Ward

On a suggestion that great benefits might arise from a faithful Collection of Facts relative to the appearance & progress of the Fever with which this City is or may be afflicted during this Season The Board determined that a proper Person should be employed for that purpose with an Allowance of four Dollars per day for his Services And Dr Adolph C Lent was appointed accordingly.

[525] An Ordinance for digging out Cross Street from Mulberry Street to Mott Street was passed by the Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct	$1000
issd	David Marshall for superintendg the City burying Ground	£22:—:—
issd	John Furman for printg Ordinances in Hand Bills	£8: 8:—
issd	Danl Forbes for liquor to the Artillyrists in quelling a Riot in the Night of the 18th Inst	£2:12:—
issd	Willson Rawson for lamp Oil	£405:12: 6
issd	Bernard O'Blenis Clk of Police Office	$62 89/100

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday Augt 5th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert, Jacob De La Montagnie, Gabriel Furman, Jotham Post, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, Anthony Brown, George Lindsay, Nicholas Carmer, Thos Storm } Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Acctts reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissrs [526] of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House amounts to	£4186:13:—
Those of the Bridewell	£710:10:10½

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House	£3000:—:—
For the Bridewell	500:—:—

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for payment thereof accordingly

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Front Street from Pecks Slip to Waltons Alley was read & ratified by the Board & Abraham Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & to pave the said Street on his entering into Bond for the due execution of the Business, by the 15th Septr next.

A Petition of John Jones & Peter A Schenck for Relief on the Penalty of the Ordinance for filling in their Water Lots was read & postponed 'till next Meeting.

A Petition of Peter Lowry for Relief against a Suit on the Building Law was read & referred to the Aldn & Assist of the 1st Ward.

A Petition for a Well at the Corner of Reade & Greenwich Streets was read & granted as usual

Ordered that Peter Dustan & Obadiah Helmes be appointed firemen to Engine No 9 vice Andrew Ten Eyck removed from the City and Andrew Morris resigned. and John Sayre 3d Wd Silver smith to Engine No 21 vice Francis Lynch resigned.

Ordered that Aldn R Furman & Coles & Messrs Minthorn & Arcularius be a Committee to attend the Jury for valuing the Land taken for the new Road at Harlem.

[527] A Report of the Inspectors of Lots was read And Ordinances were passed for raising two Lots of Joseph Ross Junr in the 6th Ward

for filling up a Sink or Privy & cleansing & filling up under a Slaughter House on a Lot of Thomas Place

And for filling up a Sink or Privy on a Lot of Garrit Peterson in Chatham St

The Committee appointed to treat with the Lessee of the public Docks & Slips reported that Mr Ash the present Lessee was willing to continue for the ensuing Year at the rate of $10,000 per Annum.

Ordered that the Committee conclude the Bargain with him.

Ordered that the Treasurer negociate a loan with the Bank of New York for $5000 at 6 per Ct Interest That a Bond for the same be made out with the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	John N Johnson for removg a Pauper	£2: 15: 10
issd	Joseph Webb for glazing Lamps	£4: 19: —
issd	The Justices of the Justices Ct	$468

issd	John Van Alst for repairs Pumps 5th Wd.....	£6:16:10
issd	Archibald Dunlap for the like 1st Wd.....	£11:18: 6
issd	The same for the like in 3d Wd.....	£10:12: 3

[528] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 14th day of Augt 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert Richd Furman Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman Jotham Post Gabriel Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Alda	Mangle Minthorn Anthony Brown Thomas Storm Nichs Carmer Philip J Arcularius	Assistts

A certified Copy of the Proceedings of a Meeting of Persons chosen by the Freeholders of Bergen County, transmitted by Isaac Nicoll their Chairman, signifying their desire to confer with a Committee of this Board on the subject of the Rates of the Ferries across Hudson River; was read And Alda G Furman, Bogert & Beekman were appointed a Committee to meet and confer with them accordingly.

A Request of Ahasuerus Turk to make a Vault in the Street in front of his new House in Broad Way was granted under the Inspection of the Alda & Assistt of the Ward.

An Estimate & Assessment for digging out Cross Street from Mulberry to Mott Street was ratified by the Board & Henry Hulsart & Thomas Stagg were appointed to collect the Monies & to dig out the said Street

[529] A Petition of Alexr Nicoll & Wm Philips for Relief on a Suit brought against them on the building Law was read & granted on the usual Terms.

Mr Recorder delivered a Report on the Acct presented by the Commissrs of the Alms House on the 12th June last for the Expences of supporting certain Slaves formerly the property of Persons whose Estates were confiscated; which was read & filed.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay or tender to the following Persons the following Sums of Monies assessed to them respectively by a Jury in the last Mayors [Court] in full for Damage & Recompence for their respective Lands required & taken for the New Road lately laid out at Harlem vizt

John P Waldron.....	$75
Joseph Mott	400

Peter Benson	$100
Sampson Benson	125
Lawrence Benson	100
Andrew McGown for the Trustees of the Township of Harlem	1
Total	$801

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Mr Mangin on Acct of his Contract for making a new Survey & Map of the City, taking his Note for the same	$500
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$1500
issd	Aldn Coles on Acct towards filling in a Water Lot of Henry Cuyler decd	$300

[530] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th day of August 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert, Jotham Post, Richard Furman, Jacob De La Montagnie, Theophs Beekman, John B Coles } Esqrs Aldn

George Lindsay, Mangle Minthorn, Anthony Brown, William Bayard, Thomas Storm } Assistts

A Petition for a new & enlarged Market at Catharine Slip was read & postponed

A Petition of George Shape Butcher to establish a Standing near the State Prison was read & rejected

A Petition of John Park for Relief agt a Suit on the Building Law was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

Ordered that a Bond to the Manhattan Company be made out with the Common Seal affixed for $5000 with Interest at six per Ct and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of the Board.

A Petition for paving Harman Street from Charlotte Street to Et Rutgers Street was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that John Sayre 3d Wd Silver Smith be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 21 vice Francis Lynch resigned.

[531] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The St Commissioners on Acct for filling lower end of Liberty St	$250
issd	Bogert & Co for Repairs Pumps in 4th & 6th Wards	£91:18: 8
issd	David Waldron for Repairs Roads	£187:17:—

issd	St Commissrs for Expences of Jury to value Lands for new Road at Harlem	£20:14:—
issd	Thomas Whytlaw for paving Tryon Row	£140:—:—
issd	Hopkins & Co for printg	$49
issd	Peter Cole for lightg Lamps	£93:19: 4
issd	John Smith for cleang Wells in 7th Wd	£5:11:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for Salary & Disbursts	£24:18: 6
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	James Culbertson for extra Watchmen to quell a Riot	£13: 6: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£11:14:—
issd	Beekman & Gobel for the like	£7: 6:—

[532] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of August 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay	Assistts
Theophs Beekman		Thomas Storm	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
John Bogert		William Bayard	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	

A Release of Dr Nichs Romaine of certain Streets passing through his Lands at Corlaers Hook in the 7th Ward was presented to the Board & read accepted & filed.

A Request of Jona Weedon to make an Area in the Street in front of his House in Mulberry Street was read & granted.

The Street Commissrs reported that Harman Street from Charlotte Street to Et Rutgers Street ought to be paved agreable to the Petition of Stephen Bourdet & others.

That Greenwich Street from the present Pavement to Lispenards Brewery is in an irregular & impassable Condition & they recommend an Ordce for filling up the said Street to the Regulation.

And they also report that the usual Relief be granted to John Park agt a Suit on the Building Law all which was agreed to by the Board.

[533] Ordinances were then passed for raising & filling up Greenwich Street agreable to the said Report by the first day of October next And also for raising & filling with wholesome Earth to a proper heighth all the Lots between Water Street & front Street from the Old Slip to the Exchange Slip by the 1st day of December next

Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] take order for putting the Greenwich Road in front of Col[o] Burr's Land in order & for effectually clearing Greenwich Street of every incumbrance.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d] The S[t] Commiss[rs] for paving Broad Way at the Alms House £30:12: 6

The Committee on the subject of Wells & Pumps reported that M[r] Carmer signifies to them his willingness to undertake (in addition to the superintendance of Repairs to public Buildings, the working of the Mud Drudge in the Slips &[c] &[c]) the overseeing of the keeping in order the public Wells & Pumps agreable to the Report of the Committee on the 22[d] July last Whereupon M[r] Carmer was appointed by the Board to manage & direct the keeping in order the public Wells & Pumps for three Months.

[534] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 2[d] day of Sept[r] 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Jotham Post
Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert
Theoph[s] Beekman
John B Coles
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

Nich[s] Carmer
George Lindsay
Philip J Arcularius
William Bayard
Mangle Minthorn
Thomas Storm
} Assist[ts]

The Committee for the purpose appointed reported that they had made due enquiry into the Conduct of the Keeper of the Bridewell & had taken several Affidavits and Examinations relative thereto; On the reading of which it appears that Peter Cole the Keeper & John Michaels his Assistant have conducted the Business corruptly & negligently; which said Affidavits & Examinations were directed to be delivered to the Police Justices to be proceeded on according to Law.

Resolved that the said Peter Cole be removed from his said Office of the Keeper of the Bridewell in the City of New York And that Thomas Hazard be appointed in his stead.

Ordered that M[r] Hazard give Bond in $1500 Dollars with one or more Sureties for the due execution of his Office.

[535] Ordered that M[r] Hazard immediately take the Charge & Custody of the Bridewell And that M[r] Cole do immediately deliver to him the same together with the Keys Prisoners & all the Furniture Utensils & Things thereunto appertaining And that M[r] Hazard Pro-

cure a Calender of all the Prisoners with an Inventory of all the said Things and report the same to this Board without delay.

Ordered that the Committee heretofore appointed for the purpose be discharged And that Ald^{n} Coles & De La Montagnie & M^{r} Bayard be a Committee (with the Aid of M^{r} Recorder) to digest & report to the Board a more perfect System for the Government & management of the Alms House & Bridewell particularly as it respects the Mode & Manner of keeping the Accounts.

The follow^{g} Persons were appointed fire Men of this City to the two Engines imported from Hamburgh viz^{t}

Foreman	Abel W Hardenbrook.....	Tin Plate Worker
Assistant	William Janeway	Brewer
	Richard L Mott.....	
	Benjamin Carpenter	Carpenter
	Silvenus Pine	Merchant
	Samuel Hutchins	Grocer
	Richard Collis	Paper Manufactorer
	Jacob Smith	Turner
	Enoch Buxton	Shoe Maker
	Abraham Alstine	Cabinet Maker
	Jacob Shatzel	Grocer
	Christian Hyle	Joiner
	Peter Wooley	Shoe Maker
[536]	Harmanus Rutan	Porter
	John Cromwell	Grocer
	Levi Weeks	
	William Miller	Carpenter
	John M^{c}Kay	Painter
	Eli Knapp	Shoe Maker
	David Colon	Chair Maker
	Henry Seibe	Grocer
	Ezra Weeks	Carpenter
	Daniel Tylee	Coach Painter
	William Post	Cooper
	John M^{c}Comb	Mason
	Robert M Thompson.....	
	George Minuse	Joiner
	Tunis Riker	
	Joseph Cook	
	William Hardenbrook Jun^{r}...	Brass Founder

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	Ald^{n} Coles on Acc^{t} towards filling up a Water Lot of Henry Cuyler dec^{d}.....	$300
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

issd	James Culbertson for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Alexr Phœnix for expences in going to Harlem to pay or tender the Monies assessed by the Jury for the Land taken for the new Road.....	£3:12:—
issd	Latham Buncker for lamp Oil.....	$720 9/100
issd	John Provo for cleans Well 4th Wd.....	£4:10: 4

[537] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Septr 9th 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert Jacob De LaMontagnie Theophs Beekman Gabriel Furman Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay Anthony Brown Nichs Carmer Philip J Arcularius William Bayard	Assists

Ordered that the Treasr negociate loans with the Bank of New York for $5000 and with the Manhattan Company for $5000—that with the Bank of New York being to defray the public Expences of the City during the exhausted State of the Treasury until the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected And that with the Manhattan Company to pay the installment due the 17th Instant on the Corporation Shares in the Company.

That two Bonds be made out for the said Sums at six per Ct Interest with the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the Street Commissioners be appointed to aid the Health Commissioner during the prevailing Sickness to administer Relief to the indigent Sick and to open one of the Wards at Belle Vue Hospital for the Reception of the Sick until the further Order of the Board.

[538] Ordered that such Butchers as shall abandon their Stalls in the Markets on Acct of the prevailing Fever be permitted to sell Meat at their respective Houses in the out parts of the City or to erect Standings there Provided & on the express Condition that they keep an Acct of the Meats they kill & sell to be rendered on Oath to the Clerk of the Market and pay the Fees thereon accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Rinier Skaats on Acct towards purchasing Fuel for the City Hall & Watch Hs.....	$400
issd	Goodeve & Brown for 1 Box Candles.....	£3:16: 6

issd	Henry White for Copyg & making Ballots of new List of Jurors	$60
issd	John Sticklen towds new Well in new St	$12
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps	£3: 4: 3
issd	Bernd O Blenis Clk Police Office	$62 50/100
issd	Dr Adolph Lent for collectg Facts as to the Yellow Fever	$72
issd	Thomas Hazard for lightg Lamps	£104: 6: 2

[539] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of Septr 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn
Richard Furman
Theophs Beekman

Philip J Arcularius
George Lindsay
Anthony Brown } Assists
Nichs Carmer

The Board proceeded to the appointment of Inspectors of the ensuing Election for Charter Officers & the following Persons were appointed & the follows Places assigned for holding the Elections vizt

1st Wd	Thomas Farmer	Trinity Church
2d	George Barnewall	City Hall
3d	James Van Antwerp	Abm Martling's House
4th	Jacob Abramse	St Pauls Church
5th	Francis Child	Francis Child's House
6th	Anthony Steenbeck	Bridewell
7th	Thomas White	Bulls Head Tavern

The Bd took into consideration the Salary of the Clerk of the Police Office & determined that it ought to be encreased to nine hundred Dollars per annum.

A Petition for paving Fayette Street was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Bogert & Co for Repairs to Pumps	£98: 13: —
issd	[540] James Culbertson for City Watch	£106: 13: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£101: 14: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£81: 18: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£76: 19: 6
issd	Fred: Wiessenfels for guaging Lamp Oil	$7 41/100

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Septr 23d 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Gabriel Furman	Esqrs Aldn	William Bayard	Assistts
Jacob De La Montagnie		George Lindsay	
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown	
Theophs Beekman		Philip J Arcularius	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	

Ordered that the Members of the auditing Committee together with Aldn G. Furman & De La Montagnie be a Committee to examine & report on the Treasurers Accts

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 30th Septr 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	George Lindsay
Gabriel Furman		Philip J Arcularius
Jotham Post		Anthony Brown
Jacob De La Montagnie		Nichs Carmer
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn
Richard Furman		

[541] The Committee on the Treasurers Accounts reported as follows vizt

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[542] The Board then proceeded to the appointmt of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix Esqr was appointed accordingly And Mr Recorder informed the Board that Mr Mayor had signified that he had reappointed James Culbertson to the Office of High Constable of this City for the ensuing Year.

Ordered that the Street and Road Commissrs direct Mr Harsen the Road Master to commence working on the new Road lately laid out from the Post Road towards Coles's new Bridge at Harlem.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards relieving the indigent sick families	$500
issd	James Culbertson for City Watch	£123:14: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£123:14: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£96:15: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96:15: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday Oct[r] 1[st] 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John B Coles
Gabriel Furman
Jotham Post
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esq[rs] Ald[n]
Richard Furman
John Bogert
Theoph[s] Beekman

George Lindsay
Nich[s] Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
Anthony Brown

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Election held in the several Wards of Charter Officers for the ensuing Year from which it appears that the following [543] Persons were duly elected: viz[t].

1[st] Ward	John B Coles	Alderman
	John Nitchie	Assistant
	John H Sickels, Andrew Morris	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Philip Fulkerson, Thomas Martin	Constables
2[d] Ward	Robert Lenox	Alderman
	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistant
	Daniel M[c]Cormick, John Jones	Assessors
	Cornelius C Wynkoop	Collector
	Barnet Newkerck, Henry Burtsell	Constables
3[d] Ward	Selah Strong	Alderman
	Philip Brasher	Assistant
	John Bingham, Samuel Burling	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Robert Johnson	Constables
4[th] Ward	John Bogert	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
	Thomas Stagg, William G Miller	Assessors
	Benjamin Romaine	Collector
	John Rains, John Ackerman	Constables

	Jotham Post	Alderman
	Philip J Arcularius	Assistant
5th Ward	James Drake, William Rhinelander	Assessors
	David Harriot	Collector
	Samuel Montgomery, Joseph Dunkley	Constables
	Jacob De La Montagnie	Alderman
	John Crolius	Assistant
6th Ward	Peter Arell, Thomas Ogilvie	Assessors
	Anthony Brown	Collector
	John H Johnson, David C Demarest	Constables
[544]	Richard Furman	Alderman
	Mangle Minthorn	Assistant
	Samuel Stilwell, Robert McDermot	Assessors
	Martin Morrison (Bowery Division)	Collector
7th Ward	William Sloo, John McLaughlin	Constables
	Valentine Nutter, John Adrianse	Assessors
	Cornelius Harsen (Harlem Division)	Collector
	Adolph Bussing, Blaze Moor	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend on the 14th Instant to take the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

The Treasurer laid before the Board his annual Accounts of Receipts & Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax; which were examined by the Recorder & Aldermen & found right and agreable to the Statute certified accordingly.

Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Loan Office Evert Bancker one of the Loan Officers for this City & County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes & Accounts by them taken & kept as Loan Officers; And this Board having carefully inspected & examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the Trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed and required.

[545] The following Abstract of their Accounts were delivered to the Board. viz[t]

1799 **Treasury of the State of New York in Acc[t] with the new Loan Officers of the County of New York for Interest by them rec[d] 1799**

Dr					Cr
June 26th	To Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Insterest	£80:—:—	1799 May 7th	By Interest due 1 Year on £19300 @ 6 p[r] C[t].....	£1158
Do	To Cash p[d] in Bank of New York as p[r] Receipt	1078:—:—	New York Sept[r] 30th 1799	Evert Bancker L Officer	
		£1158:—:—			

City and County of New York in Acc[t] with the Loan Officers of said County for Interest & Principal received by them 1799 by virtue of a Law passed the 18th April 1786.

Dr

1799 Aug[t] 22d.	Interest	Principal
To the Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Int.....	£80:—:—	.....
To Cash p[d] in N Y. Bank for prin[l] & Interest.....	400: 5: 6	1040:—:—
To Ball[ce] principal remains on Loan		8565:10:—
	£480: 5: 6	£9605:10:—

Cr

1798		Interest	Principal
Sept[r] 29th	By Ball[ce] remaining on Loan.....	.....	£9605:—:10
1799 June 18th	By 1 Year Interest on the Prin[l]...	£480: 5: 6	.....

[546] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 7th 1799

Present/ Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Mangle Minthorn	Assist[ts]
Richard Furman		Philip Arcularius	
Theoph[s] Beekman		George Lindsay	
John Bogert		Anthony Brown	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	

A Petition of George Buckmaster for Relief against a Suit brought on the Building Law was read & the usual Relief in such Cases was granted.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Jacob Harsen on Acct towards works the new Road to Harlem	$500
issd	The Police Justices on Acct towards Relief of indigt St Domingo families	$72
issd	Demarest & Co towards a new Well at the Corner of Reade & Greenwich Sts	$16
issd	Archd Dunlap for Repairs to Pumps 2d Wd	£38: 4: 3
issd	Adrian Bogert for the like in 5th Wd	£16: 8: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	£93: 2: 2
issd	Michl Brooks for glazing Lamps	£47: 1:—

[547] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Octr 14th 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert Richard Furman Jotham Post Selah Strong Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer John Nitchie John Crolius Philip J Arcularius Philip Brasher Philip Ten Eyck

Assistts

Philip Ten Eyck Book Store Keeper & Stationer admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City.

The Oaths prescribed & directed by the Charter of this City were administered to the following Officers elected at the late Election vizt

To the several Aldermen & Assistants above named (except Mr Ten Eyck who admitted to the Board that he was not a freeholder in the 2d Ward nor a freeman of this City at the time of his election & therefore not qualified to serve* To Daniel Phœnix Treasurer or Chamberlain, who produced a Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board & ordered to be filed.

To the follows Assessors vizt

Thomas Stagg 4th Wd Wm Rhinelander 5th Wd & Thomas Ogilvie 6th Ward

And to the following Constables vizt

Philip Fulkerson	John Ackerman
Thomas Martin	Samuel Montgomery
Barnet Newkerk	Joseph Dunkley
Henry Burtsell	John N Johnson
Samuel Stockwell	David C Demarest
Robert Johnson	William Sloo
John Rains	John McLaughlin

* Marginal note reads *An Election was ordered to be held for an Assistant for the 2d Ward in his place and for 2. Assessors See P. 553. See Return p. 557*—Ed.

[548] Ordered that Ald^{n} Bogert & Furman be appointed to examine & audit the Acc^{ts} until a full Meeting of the Board and the standing Committee for that purpose be appointed.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Post & Mess^{rs} Carmer & Crolius be a standing Committee for Lamps.

An application of John Town & Barent Deklyn relative to the establishment of a Ferry from the new Wharfs South & North of the State Prison to Hobooken was read & referred to Ald^{n} De La Montagnie Coles & Furman.

M^{r} Mayor presented to the Board a Warr^{t} which he had obtained from the Comptroller of the State on the State Treasurer to pay to this Corporation the Sum of Sixty thousand Dollars being the Monies by them borrowed last Year and advanced for the purpose of fortifying this City & Port and also the further Sum of three thousand eight hundred & four Dollars $^{78}/_{100}$ for the Interest thereof And the State Treasurer having drawn an Order on the Bank of New York to pay the said Monies to the order of this Board.

Ordered that an Order issue to the Cashier of the Bank of New York to pay the said Monies to Gabriel Furman Esq^{r} to be by him paid in discharge of the Monies borrowed by this Board last Year & advanced for the purposes of fortifying this City as afors^{d} that the Common Seal be affixed to & that M^{r} Mayor subscribe the said Order

[549] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^{d}	George Furman for glazing Lamps	£22: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£96: 15: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96: 15: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£123: 14: 6
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for the like	£123: 14: 6
iss^{d}	Bernard O Blenis Clk of Police	115^{15}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Jacob De La Montagnie Esq^{r} one of the Police Justices	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Theoph^{s} Beekman Esq^{r} the like	187^{50}/_{100}$
	Clerks of Election	$14

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 21[st] 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Selah Strong Robert Lenox John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius John Crolius Mangle Minthorn	Assist[ts]

Robert Lenox Esq[r] elected Alderman of the 2[d] Ward attended in his Seat & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

A Petition of Zadock Hedden for permission to sink a Pier for the accommodation of the Hoboken Ferry Boats was read & referred to Ald[n] Bogert, Furman & De La Montagnie.

[550] Ordered that Cornelius King occupy the Stand[s] N° 7 in Hudson Market

Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] pay Charles Loss City Surveyor $5 Dollars in full of all Demands.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay.

iss[d] Tho[s] W Eagles for repairs to Lamps..... £1: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Oct[r] 28[th] 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

John B Coles Selah Strong John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De LaMontagnie Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	John Nitchie Philip Brasher Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius John Crolius	Assist[ts]

John B Coles Esq[r] elected Alderman of the 1[st] Ward attended in his Seat & he together with James Culbertson Constable High Constable & Blaze Moor Constable took the Oaths prescribed by Law

Ordered that Ald[n] De La Montagnie & Mess[rs] Brasher & Nitchie be the Com[tee] for examin[g] & auditing all Acc[ts] ag[t] this Board.

On the Representation of M[r] Mayor.

Ordered that the respective Butchers of this City who have not already complied with the Order of the Mayor for that purpose Do return to and Occupy their Stands in the respective Markets to which they belong on or before the first day of November next: And [551]

that the Mayor be Authorized to Suspend such of the Licensed Butchers as shall refuse or neglect to comply with this Order; or who shall after the last day of this Month cut up or vend any Meat at any other place than their Stands in the Markets.

And forasmuch as irregular practices have obtained not only during the prevalence of the Epidemic but prior thereto, in some of the Butchers without any permission for that purpose, cutting up and vending Meats at other places within the City than at their Stands in the respective Markets. Therefore

Ordered that all the Butchers Do before the tenth day of November next render Accounts upon Oath, agreeable to the form prescribed by the Mayor, of the Number of Cattle, Hogs, Calves, Sheep and Lambs by them respectively killed and cut up within this City and County between the first day of May last and the thirty first day of October instant inclusive for which the Market fees shall not have been accounted for and paid to Bartholomew Skaats or Hugh Goble: And that they pay the Arrears to the respective Collectors of fees on or before the fifteenth day of November next.

The following Petitions were respectively read & referred to the Street Commiss^{rs} viz^{t}

A Petition of Andrew Ross praying a Stand in the Hudson Market to vend Coffee.

A Petition of W^{m} Butler, Daniel Lamoreux, Matthias Baldwin & Peter Saunders stating that they had agreed to dig out Bedlow Street from George to Catharine Street for £598: 5/ that a Warrant has been issued to collect the Monies; but that part thereof remains unpaid & praying Relief.

A Petition [of] William Butler & Peter Saunders stating the like with Respect to Bedlow Street from Charlotte to George Street for £600 that upwards of £200 remains unpaid, & praying relief.

[552] A Petition of Isaac Hicks praying Permission to store 60 Tons of Hemp in a fire Proof Store within this City at Pecks Slip was read & granted.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay.

iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats on Acc^{t} to purchase Fewel for the Courts of Justice	$175
iss^{d}	James Culbertson for City Watch	£123: 14: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£123: 14: 6
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps	£90: 12: 4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 4th Novr 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles
Selah Strong
Jotham Post
Jacob De LaMontagnie
John Bogert
Richard Furman
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn
John Nitchie
John Crolius
Nicholas Carmer
Philip Brasher
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

The Board having visited the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell.

The Committee of Accts reported that they had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter and compared them with their [553] respective Vouchers & found them right

Those of the Alm House amounts to	£2320: 14: 9½
Those of the Bridewell to	329: 8: 2

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was agreed to by the Board vizt—And a Warrt for paymt thereof was ordered accordingly. vizt

issd

		Dollars
issd	For the Alms House	$5000
	For the Bridewell	1250

The follows Assessors attended & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

Andrew Morris 1st Wd—Wm G Miller 4th Wd Peter Arell—6th Wd —Samuel Stilwell & Robert McDermot 7th Wd Bowery Division Valentine Nutter & John Adriansę 7th Wd Harlem Division.

Ordered that an Election be held at the City Hall on Tuesday the 12th Instant of an Assistant or Common Councilman in the stead of Philip Ten Eyck who was not a Freeman of this City nor a freeholder in the 2d Ward at the time of his being elected and of two Assessors in the stead of John Jones & Daniel McCormick who refused to serve.

Ordered that the former Committee on the Subject of public Markets be discharged And that Aldn Coles & Strong & Mr Arcularius be a Committee to enquire into the State of the public Markets in this City & report such Improvements in the Regulation thereof as they may deam necessary.

A Petition of John Town relative to Hoboken Ferry was read & referred to the Committee on that Subject

Ordered that the Aldn & Assist of the 1st & the Aldn of the 2d Wd be a Committee to enquire into the Circumstances of the Corner Lot at the Battery occupied by Dr Bailey & report to the Board

[554] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Novr 11th 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius	Assistts
John Bogert		John Nitchie	
John B Coles		John Crolius	
Richard Furman		Philip Brasher	
Selah Strong		Mangle Minthorn	
Jotham Post			

John Bingham for the 3d Ward & John H Sickels for the 1st Ward Assessors & Adolph Bussing for Harlem Division Constables appeared & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

The Committee on the Petition of Zadoc Hedden on the subject of Hoboock Ferry reported that they had called on Mr Hedden & requested him to enter into Bonds with surety for payment of the Ferry Rent in quarterly payments; that Mr Hedden refused to have anything more to do with the Ferry under present Circumstances.

Richd Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert

Ordered that the same Committee treat with Mr Town or any other Person to take the Ferry for three Years from the first May last & report the Result to the Board.

Petitions of Joseph Smith & Gerardus Smith on the subject of the said Ferry were read & referred to the same Committee.

[555] A Petition of William Nielson stating certain Reasons for not complying with the Ordinance for filling up his Water Lot & praying a suspension of the prosecution against him on that account was read & the Board determined that his Request could not be granted

Ordered that an extract of the Law for regulating the sale of firewood which ascertains the length thereof be republished and that the Inspectors be required after the 1st day of April next to cause the said Law to be strictly enforced against all Offenders & that any Inspector who shall neglect his Duty in the Premisses shall be immediately removed from his Office.

A Petition from the Neighborhood of the Hospital complainᵍ that an encroachment on the Street has taken place in the setting of the Fence round that Buildᵍ was read & referred to the Sᵗ Commissʳˢ

On reading a Petition of the Gentlemen composing a Law Society for a Room in the City Hall, It was ordered that they might convene in the Room used by the Court of Chancery.

A Petition of Robert Quin to be a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

A Petition of John Parks for relief on a Suit commenced against him on the Law for regulating Buildings was read & rejected.

The followᵍ Persons were appointed Firemen vizᵗ To Engine Nº 3 Jacob Wilt 5ᵗʰ Ward Cabᵗ Maker vice Samuel Sneeden decᵈ.

To Engine Nº 24 Wᵐ Cairns 4ᵗʰ Wᵈ Merchᵗ vice John McComb removed to another Engine

To Engine Nº 23 James Craft vice

[556] Resolved that Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor of the City of New York be and he is hereby authorized and appointed to vote on behalf of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York at the next Election for twelve Directors of the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to a Copy of the above Resolution & that Mʳ Recorder subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

A Petition of Francis Spicer Butcher for a Stand in the Market was read & rejected

The like of Ebenʳ Winship was postponed And the like of George W Varian was granted

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasʳ to pay.

	The Sᵗ Commissʳˢ on Accᵗ towards discharging the Expences of relievᵍ the indigent sick during the late Epidemic Fever	$1000
issᵈ	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	£163: 7:—
issᵈ	John Van Alst for repairᵍ Pumps 5ᵗʰ Wᵈ	£0: 8:—
issᵈ	Wᵐ Hardenbrook for fire Engine Departmᵗ	£128:—:—
issᵈ	The same for repairᵍ Lamps	£31: 7:—
issᵈ	Samˡ Russel towards new Well in Chatham Sᵗ	£8:16:—
issᵈ	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£96:15: 6
issᵈ	The same for the like	£72: 0: 6
issᵈ	Magnus Beekman for the like	£96:15: 6
issᵈ	The same for the like	£72: 0: 6
issᵈ	Nichˢ Lawrence for the like	£96: 4: 6
issᵈ	James Culbertson for the like	£96: 4: 6

[557] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of Novr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox
John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn
Selah Strong
John B Coles

Philip Brasher
John Nitchie
Philip J Arcularius
Mangle Minthorn } Assistts
Nicholas Carmer
Philip Ten Eyck

From the Poll List of the Election held on the 12th Inst. in the second Ward of an Assistant or Common Councilman & two Assessors it appeared that Philip Ten Eyck as Assistant or Common Councilman & that George Warner & William Jauncey as Assessors were duly elected.

Philip Ten Eyck attended & took the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed accordingly

Petitions for establishing a public Ferry from Horns Hook to Hallets Point across the East River were read & referred to the Street & Road Commissrs

A Letter from Colo Henry Rutgers to Mr Mayor relative to the payment of the Monies assessed for digging out certain Streets; was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Ordered that the auditing Committee treat with the Printers of daily Papers to publish the Business & Things of this Board by Contract

[558] A Petition of John Jones for Relief agt a Prosecution on an Ordinance for filling in his Water Lot was read & the Board determined no Relief could be given him.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests.....	£40:14:—
issd	Thos Hazard for the Constables and Marshals for conveyg criml Prisoners & Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£25:10:—
issd	John Ferdon &c towards a new Well at the Corner of Leonard St & Broadway.....	$37
issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles.....	£3:16: 6
issd	John S Delamater for Services & Expences going to Hempstead on public Business.....	£2:17: 3
issd	Bernard O'Blenis Clerk of Police Office.....	$75
issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Services & Disbursmts.....	£22: 5:—
issd	The Justices of the Justices Ct.....	$474

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 2d 1799.

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post John B Coles Selah Strong Jacob De LaMontagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn John Crolius Philip Ten Eyck John Nitchie Philip Brasher	Assistts

[559] George Warner one of the Assessors elected at the late Election in the 2d Ward attended and represented to the Board that his Duty as an Inspector of the State Prison required so much of his time & Attention as to render it impossible for him to execute the Office of Assessor & therefore refused to take the Oaths by Law directed.

Petitions of John Jones & Thomas Ten Eyck for Relief against the Ordinances passed for filling up their Water Lots between the Old Slips & Coenties Slip.

And a Petition of Isaac Burr & others for enforcing the said Ordinances were respectively read & postponed.

A Petition of Thomas Gardner to insert a private Drain to carry off the Bye Water from the Cellar of his House at the Corner of Broad & Beaver Street, into the public Sewer, was read & granted to be done under the Inspection of the Commissrs of Streets

A Petition from the Neighborhood to remove the fire Engine House out of Chatham Square to some more convenient place & to have it rebuilt or repaired was read & referred to the Street Commissrs to take order thereon

Mr Mayor informed the Board that James Culbertson High Constable of this City was deceased; And that he had nominated & appointed John S Delametre in his stead.

Mr Delametre attended & took the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed accordingly.

Ordered that Mr Delametre be appointed in the stead of Mr Culbertson to prosecute on the building Law.

Ordered that the further Sum of five thousand Dollars be borrowed of the Bank of New York for defraying the public Expences of this City 'till the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected

[560] That a Bond for the repayment thereof be made out with the Common Seal affixed and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the follow[g] Persons be appoin[ted] fire Men to the Engine at the State Prison to be properly armed & accoutred to quell or suppress any conspiracy or insurrection which may at any time happen in the State Prison viz[t]

Ezra Weeks foreman	Robert Buchan
John M[c]Comb Jun[r]	John Van Buskirk
Henry Clement	Samuel Henderson
Joseph Watkins	John Richardson
Peter Fenton	Benjamin Everson
Levi Weeks	Charles Thurston
David Williamson	Charles Fields
Isaac M[c]Comb	James Burnet
Barent Deklyn	William Barton
Thomas Smith	Elias Ring

Ordered that M[r] Recorder issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

iss[d]	David Waldron for repairs Roads	£312:18: 9
iss[d]	James Woods for repairs Lamps	£23:17: 6
iss[d]	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	£92: 0: 4
iss[d]	Edward Bardin for a public Dinner on the late anniversary of the evacuation of this City by the British Army	£45: 3: 6
iss[d]	Nich[s] Lawrence for the City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	W[m] Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss[d]	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Office of Mercantile Advertizer	£16:—:—
iss[d]	The several Persons for taking new Lists of Jurors	£54:—:—

[561] Ordered that the follow[g] Persons be appointed fire Men of this City viz[t]

Engine N[o] 7 Nicholas Anthony 5[th] Ward Tanner vice Abel Hardenbrook resigned.

D[o] N[o] 9 Matthias Valentine vice James Robinson

D[o] N[o] 11 Jacob Boerom 2[d] W[d] Merch[t] Robert S Van Keuren 1[st] W[d] Grocer & Arnoldus Voorheis 2[d] Ward Grocer vice Jacob Morris & Moses Smith dec[d] & & Ab[m] Egbert removed from the City.

N[o] 12 James Robertson vice Ezra Weeks resigned

N[o] 21 David Baker 3[d] W[d] Cordwainer vice Uriah Burgess resigned.

N[o] 24 Alex[r] S Gordon 2[d] W[d] Silver Smith vice Robert Hurtin dec[d]

N[o] 2 Hook & Ladder C[o] David Saffin 5[th] W[d] vice Benj[a] Gilmore resigned.

City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held on Thursday the 12th day of Decr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Philip Brasher	
Richard Furman		John Nitchie	
Robert Lenox		John Crolius	
John B Coles		Nicholas Carmer	
		Philip J Arcularius	
		Philip Ten Eyck	

William Jauncey an Assessor elected at the late Election in the 2d Ward attended & informed the Bd that by Reason of a lameness in his Leg from a fracture he was unable to execute the Office and therefore refused to take the Oaths.

[562] Ordered that an Election be held at the City Hall on Monday the 23th Inst of two Assessors for the 2d Ward in the place of George Warner & William Jauncey accordingly

Ordered that the High Constable occupy the upper Rooms in the Watch House, Mrs Culbertson to remain in them 'till the first May next if she chuses.

On reading an application of Le Roy, Bayard & McEvers to deposit a Cargo of Hemp in a fire proof Store within the limits prescribed by Law the Bd determined that if on enquiry the St Commissrs shall find that there are no proper buildings for the purpose without the Limits their request be granted.

Ordered that Water Street be chained off on both sides of the Market to prevent Interruption to the Market during Market Hours.

Ordered that a Bond be made out, with the Common Seal affixed, to the Manhattan Co for the payment of five thousand Dollars with Interest at six per Cent for the sixth installment of the Corporation Shares in that Company And that Mr Mayor sign the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that William Van Waert be appointed Captain of the lower City Watch vice James Culbertson decd

Ordered that the St Commissioners be authorised to employ the High Constable to superintend the cleaning of the Streets and to prosecute all violations of the Street Law.

Ordered that the subscription Monies collect[ed] for Mangins new Map of the City be paid to the Street Commissrs who are authorized to advance him $100 on his Note

[563] Ordered that the Engineer obtain a Return of the number of public Buckets in the respective fire Engine Houses.

And that the Committee on that subject *be* take order for completing them to a sufficient number not exceeding one thousand

Ordered that Mr Arcularius be of that Committee instead of Mr Lindsay.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men vizt

To Engine No 2 Hezekiah Rogers 7th Wd Shoemaker vice John Smith decd

No 20 Anthony Glean 6th Ward Mason John Targee 4th [Ward] Carpenter Vice Edmund Livingston decd & & Nichs Lozier resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Abishai Barnard for Lamp Oil.....	$614 25/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6

[564] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of Decr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong
Jotham Post
Jacob De La Montagnie
Richard Furman
John Bogert
} Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher
John Nitchie
Mangle Minthorn
Philip J Arcularius
Philip Ten Eyck
John Crolius
} Assistts

A Letter from Andrew Billings, Presidt Pro tem. of the Trustees of the Village of Poughkeepsie, to Mr Mayor, requesting the Loan of a Fire Engine until they can procure one on purchase was read and it was Ordered that they have the Loan of the Engine last purchased of Mr Elsworth 'till the 1st June next and the Engineer take Order for the sending it to them accordingly

The Clergy of this City having agreed to set apart Thursday next as a Day of Thanksgiving & Prayer The Board Order that the Clerk publish a Recommendation from this Board to the Inhabitants for the observance of the same accordingly.

Ordered that such Part of the Street Law as requires the removal of Snow from the side Walks in the Streets be republished

An Application of Edward Livingston relative to his Lot on the Corner of Pearl Street at the Battery was read & referred to the Street Commissioners & Aldn Lenox

[565] A Petition of William Phillips for Relief against a Suit on the building Law was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed Fire Men of this City vizt

To Engine No 13 David Pearcelock vice Wm Creed decd

Do No 15 Cornelius Schuyler vice Gideon Carstang resigned

Ordered that a further Loan be made of the Bank of New York for $5000 to defray the public Expences of this City until the Monies to be raised by Tax can be collected And that a Bond be made out for the payment thereof with the Common Seal affixed & that Mr Mayor sign the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Abm Skinner for Costs on Suit between the Overseers of the Poor of New York & the Overseers of the Poor of Hempstead	£8:10:—
issd	Wm Van Wyck for Gun Powder on the 25th Novr last..	$90 89/100
issd	Colo Morton for Cartridges &c on the same Occasion...	$19 88/100

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 20th day of Decr 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Samuel Jones Esqr Recorder

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Richard Furman		John Crolius	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	
Jotham Post		Philip Ten Eyck	
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius	

[566] The mournful Information of the Death of His Excellency General George Washington having arrived in this City, the Board took into consideration the Measures proper to be taken on this most sorrowful Event And thereupon Resolved that it be signified to the several religious Societies in this City as the Wish of this Board, that they cause their respective Churches to be dressed in mourning and that their respective Bells be muffled & tolled every Day from 12 to 1 OClock 'till the 24th Inst inclusive

Resolved that it be recommended to the Owners & Masters of Ships & Vessels in this Harbour to hoist their Colours half Mast till the 24th Inst. inclusive also

Resolved that the Members & Officers of this Corporation do wear a black Crape on the Arm for six Weeks and that it be recommended to the Inhabitants of this City to do the like.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 23d 1799

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assists
Jacob De La Montagnie		John Nitchie	
Selah Strong		John Crolius	
John Bogert		Philip Ten Eyck	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		Nicholas Carmer	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	

[567] Samuel Burling Assessor for the 3d Ward attended & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

From The Poll List of the Election held on this day in the 2d Ward of two Assessors it appears that William Henderson & John Suydam were duly elected. Ordered that they be notified to attend & take the Oaths prescribed by Law

The Treasurer presented an Estimate of the Monies which will be required to be raised by Tax the ensuing Year; which was read & referred to the Members of this Board who are Members of the Legislature.

A Representation of the fire Men of the Company lately appointed & stationed at the State Prison; was read & referred to Aldermen, Coles & Dela Montagnie & Mr Arcularius

The Inspectors of Lots reported that certain Lots in the 1st 2d & 5th Wards are in a low & sunken situation & that the Sinks or Privies on all the Lots of Ground from White Hall Street or Slip to James Street or Slip & lying between Cherry Street & the River & between Pearl Street & the River ought to be emptied and cleansed. Whereupon Ordinances for the raising & filling of those Lots & for the emptying & cleansing of the said Sinks or Privies, were prepared & passed by the Board accordingly.

An application from the fire Company No 1 for another Engine was referred to the Committee on that subject.

Ordered that Robert Spier 2d Wd Cooper be a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 1 vice Enoch Carter removed from the City.

The Street Commissioners reported a Survey of the Common Lands lying between the post Road the Lands of John *John* Jones, John Hardenbrook & Peter Pra Van Zandt & sold to them respectively.

Ordered that the Deeds be prepared accordingly.

[568] Ordered that Mr Mayor iss[ue] his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Jacob Harsen balce of his Acct for Repairs to the public Roads	£560:—: 3
issd	Nichs Carmer for Repairs to Wells & Pumps	£109: 1: 8
issd	John Elsworth Clerk to 2 Elections 2d Wd	£1:12:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Decr 30th 1799.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer
Jotham Post		John Crolius
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher
Jacob De la Montagnie		John Nitchie
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorn

The Clerk presented to the Board the Drafts of Deeds to John Jones & John Hardenbrook for such parts of the Common Lands as lie between the Lands of the respective Grantees & the Post Road; which were respectively read & ordered to be engrossed.

Also a Lease to the Executors of Samuel Ackerly decd of the Lot situate on the Corner of Cherry & Roosevelt Streets for the Term of seven Years from the 1st May last at the Rent of £30 per Annm which was approved & the Common Seal ordered to be affixed to be delivered on the execution of the Counterpart

[569] On a suggestion that Medcef Eden had intruded on parcel of the Common Lands It was ordered that Mr Recorder as Atty for & on behalf of this Board take such Measures for the recovery of those Lands as may be necessary & also for the prosecution of all other Cases of Intrusion on the public Property of this City.

On a Complaint of Abm Stagg & others who were appointed to dig out & pave Mulberry Street in 1797 [that they] were not yet paid

for their Services it was ordered that John Tabele who was appointed to collect the Monies assessed for the purpose make Return to this Board of the said Monies collected and of the Sums remaining to be collected.

The auditing Committee on the subject of a Contract with the Printers made a report and it was ordered that they make & conclude a Contract with the Proprietors of the New[s] Papers the one called the Daily & the other the Commercial Advertizer.

William Henderson & John Suydam Assessors elected at the late Election in the 2d Ward attended & took the Oaths prescribed by Law.

It being represented to the Board that Robert Pettit, confined in Bridewell on conviction for a Misdemeanor, is afflicted with a Disorder which will require surgical Operation & which cannot be performed without endangering his Life unless he be removed to some more suitable part of the Building other than the Cell in which he now is.

Ordered that Mr Hazard the Keeper of the Bridewell do remove the said Robert Pettit to such other apartment in the Bridewell, consistent with his safe keeping, as shall be more suitable to his present situation until his recovery.

The Inspectors of Lots &c made further Report of certain Lots in the 2d Ward & fronting on Front Street & Water Street which required to be raised And thereupon An Ordinance for raising those Lots was passed by the Board accordingly

[570] The following Persons were appointed Fire Wardens & Fire Men vizt

1st Ward

Thomas Ludlow
Joseph Newton

2d Ward

George Harsen
Isaac Sebring
Harmen G Rutgers

3d Ward

John Bingham
Willet Seaman
William Bowne

4th Ward

Jacob Abramse
George Gosman
John Stoutenburgh

5th Ward

Archibald Kerly
Benjamin Egbert
Abraham Bloodgood

6th Ward

Anthony Steenbach
Uzziah Coddington
James J Myers

7th Ward

Thomas White
Jacamiah Ackerly
Abraham Van Gelder Junr

The two following Persons were appointed Engineers of the Firemen in this City viz[t]

Nicholas Van Antwerp & Thomas Franklin } vice John Stagg & Ahasuerus Turk resigned.

Jacob Fought was appointed a Fireman to Engine N° 8 vice Lewis Lurten resigned

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d]	Nich[s] Carmer on acc[t]	$1500
iss[d]	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
iss[d]	Tho[s] Hazard for lighting Lamps	£92: 5: 6

The following Report on the subject of the Stalls & Standings in the several public Markets was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t] (see the Report on the follow[g] Page annexed.

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[572] The Committee upon Butchers Stalls Report—That they find by the record of the Common Council the following Stalls in the Fly Market were sold at Publick Auction in the Year 1706, to the persons, & for the Sums fixed to their respective names between Pearl & Water Street

N°	3	David Man	£58	now occupied by John Fitzgerald
	7	Matthew Fox	85	unoccupied
	9	Matthew Fogel	62	given up
	13	Daniel Ensley Ju[r]	43	now occupied by M Fogel
	15	Nicholas Smart	55	d° Joseph Moore
	17	James Reading	75	
	19	John Barr	60	neglected but claimed by J. Campbell
	18	John Corley	40	occupied by J Striker
	8	John Davenport	20	
		between Water & Front Street		
	72	George Manolt	£530	
	71	David Timmons	290	
	70	John Pell	285	
	69	Daniel Winship	205	
	68	George Minirve	320	
	67	Whitehead Cornell	170	
	66	James Young	310	now Joseph O Bogert
[573]	65	Benj[n] Cornell	£165	
	64	Henry Lovell	280	
	63	Isaac Bayea	180	now William Everitt
	62	John Paringer	150	
	61	Cornelius Schuyler	175	
	63	Burdet Striker	210	now James Marsh
	59	Andrew Ross	200	

The Conditions of sale were in the Words following

" None to buy but licenced butchers subject to such regulations & " fees as the corporation may make from time to time, & no transfer of " any stall so purchased to be made without leave of the Corporation, " butchers having Stands in the upper Market & becoming purchasers " in the lower market are considered to have forfeited their stalls in " the upper Market, none of the Butchers in the other Markets Are to " have leave to become purchasers in the Fly market

It does not appear that the purchasers received any written conveyance for the Stalls by them bought

The Heirs & Widows of the deceased purchasers, having held up an exclusive [574] ownership Claim to the Stalls by Virtue of Inheritance, Your Committee thought it best to have an interview with the Persons now holding the Stalls so sold. The result was that they generally say and understand the right to the stalls is invested in them their Heirs & assigns for ever. The conditions of Sale however do not seem to warrant any such construction but as the kind of Right sold may be some what equivocal & give frequent cause for discussion, therefore in order to settle a compromise which the present purchasers themselves seem disposed to meet Your Committee recommend that the purchasers now holding any of the Stalls herein before mentioned & which they have paid they shall respectively on application to the Board receive a conveyance for the same vesting in them and their assigns being licenced butchers the right to such Stall until the first day of May in the Year Eighteen hundred & twenty & for such longer time as the original Person to whom the conveyance shall be made [575] may live, & choose to occupy said Stalls provided always the conditions of sale herein before mentioned be fulfilled on the part of the purchasers

And Your Committee further report that it is a customary thing for Butchers holding other stalls than those above mentioned, to sell the same they receiving an emolument therefrom which they do not appear entitled to, & making a sort of monopoly of the Stalls, calculated to destroy that competitor-ship in the Sale of meat which is always beneficial to the publick—Your Committee therefore recommend, that means be taken to sell at Publick Auction the Stalls in all the Markets not already sold, on the first day of may next for the term of five Years

New York 30th Decr 1799
John B Coles
Selah Strong
Philip J. Arcularius

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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 1800, TO MAY 30, 1803

[1] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday January the 6th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
John Bogert		John Crolius	
John B Coles		John Nitchie	
		Nicholas Carmer	

Mr Recorder having obtained from the honble Gouverneur Morris Esqr a Copy of the Oration he delivered lately at St Pauls Church, at the Request of this Board in honor of the Memory of General Washinton decd It was ordered by the Board that Mr Recorder be requested to get the said Oration printed under his direction and that the Copy Right be secured for charitable Purposes as the Board shall direct and that 1500 Copies be printed for the use of this Board.

Ordered that unless Mr John Jones do without delay proceed to the filling in of his Water Lots, on the west side of the Old Slip, in manner required of him by the Ordinance for that purpose passed by this Board that the Inspectors of Lots do cause the same to be done at his expence.

[2] The auditing Committee reported that they had made & concluded a Contract with the Proprietors of the Daily advertizer and of the Commercial advertizer to print and publish in their respective News Papers all such Matters & Things (the Treasurers annual Accounts excepted) as this Board shall from time to time direct & require for one Year commencing the first Instant at the rate of seventy five Dollars per Annm each.

The Street Commissrs presented their Accts of Receipts & Expenditures in the Street Department & also in the Relief of the indigent & sick Families during the Epidemic Fever the last Season; which Accts were respectively examined & filed.

Ordered that Christopher Mildeberger of the 5th Ward Leather dresser & William Clap of the 5th Ward flour Merchr be appointed Fire Men to Engine No 12 vice Thomas Franklin appointed an Engineer & Abm Bloodgood a Fire Warden.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Wm Van Wert for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Charles Snowden for printg & publishg Treasrs annual Accts	$33 75/100

[3] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of Jany 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman, Selah Strong, John Bogert, Jacob De La Montagnie, Robert Lenox, John B Coles } Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, John Crolius, Nicholas Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius } Assistts

The following Estimate was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

Estimate of the Expenses of the City of New York for the year 1800

Alms House. Support of the Poor			$30,000
Bridewell Do Do			5,000
Roads, repairing		$3,000	
Do Compleating New Road		3,750	
Paid for Lands		800	
			7,550
Streets. Improving and repairing			5,000
Support of Criminal Prisoners			3,000
Contingent Charges			29,450
Amount of City and County Charges		Dollrs	80,000
Watch Lawrence & Van Werts Lower Watch		13000	
Gobell & Beekman upper Do		9500	
Do Goal, Bridewell & other Stands		2,500	
			25,000
Lamps Supplying with Oil lighting &c			15,000
Wells & Pumps Repairing & Supplying New			2,500
City Contingent Expences			7,500
Amount of City Expences		Dollrs	50,000
City & County Charges	80,000		
City Do	50000		
Dollrs	130,000		

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[4] Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to prepare a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to enable the raising of the Monies mentioned in the said Estimate by Tax And also that he prepare the Draft of a Law for that purpose

Ordered that the Aldn & Assistt of the first Ward apply to Mr Edgar on the subject of widening the small Street leading from the southern End of Lumber Street into Greenwich Street.

Ordered that the Police Magistrates be requested to convene the Fire Wardens of the several Wards for the purpose of informing them in the Duties of their Office & to urge them to vigilence in the execution of the Laws for extinguishing & preventing Fires.

The Committee on the Petition of Joshua Barker on behalf of the Engine Co No 1. "Report That they have caused to be removed the small Engine No 21 from the Engine House in Gold Street near the Baptist Meeting House, to the Engine House in Greenwich Street near the Industry Furnace there to remain in the room of the old Engine No 1, which the Committee have caused to be removed to the Engine House of No 23 in Broad Way near the Hospital, until the further order of the Corporation. That they have annexed three of the Company of No 23 to the Company of No 1 which makes their number thirteen; being the usual number employed to work No 23 until the further order of the Corporation." which Report was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that Job Furman 7th Wd Carpenter be appointed a fire Man to No 19th vice John Whitehand resigned and Joseph Marsh 6th Wd Mason to No 14 vice Uzziah Coddington appointed Fire Warden

[5] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

Nichs Carmer the following Sums for the Amount of the several Charges in his Acct audited & passed by the Board this day. viz.t

	For Repairs to the Alms House	£724:—:11
	For the like at Belle Vue Hospital	193: 2: 7½
	For the like at the Gaol	273:16: 6
	For the like at the Bridewell	216:19:10
	For the like at the new public burying Ground	72:19: 7
	For the like at Brooklyn Ferry	102:15: 5
issued	For the like at the City Hall	92:19: 9
	For the like on Docks Slips & Streets	259:14: 5
	For the like on Fire Engine Houses	42: 0: 9
	For the like on the Fence round the public Ground in front of Bridewell	33: 2:—

For the like at the Battery.....	£30: 7:10
For the like on Watch Houses & Boxes.....	21: 5: 0½
	£2063: 4: 8
For his Acct for his Services.....	160:—:—
	£2223: 4: 8

And to pay Bernard O Blenis Clerk of Police Office for 2 Mths Services..... $150.

[6] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of Jany 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong	Nicholas Carmer
Richard Furman	Philip J Arcularius
John B Coles	Philip Ten Eyck
Jotham Post } Esqrs Alden	John Crolius } Assistts
Robert Lenox	John Nitchie
Jacob De LaMontagnie	Mangle Minthorn

The Board having requested the Recorder to secure the Copy Right of Mr Morris's Oration on the Death of General Washington which having been done accordingly The Board now direct that the said Copy Right be assigned to John Furman Printer on his furnishing this Board with 200 Copies gratis for the use of the Members according to his agreement with Mr Ten Eyck

Mr Mayor, on behalf of Mr Recorder, presented to the Board the Draft of the Petition to the Legislature for a Law to enable the raising of the Monies by Tax, specified in the Estimate made & agreed to at the last Meeting for defraying the Expences of this City the ensuing Year which together with the Draft of a Law for the purpose were read & agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

Ordered that John Vark be appointed a Measurer of Charcoal in this City.

[7] On a suggestion that many of the public Measurers, under appointments of this Board, have declined the Office or from other avocations neglect the Business of their appointments.

The Board determine that all the said appointments of public Measures shall cease & expire on the 3d Monday in April next and that the Clerk publish the above in due Season that all such as the

Board shall approve may apply for new appointments and that such other appointments may be made as the Bd shall deem necessary

On a suggestion that many Articles of Property stolen or supposed to be stolen & which have from time to time been brought to the Police Office, remain there in a situation subject to waste; and no Person having appeared to claim any of those Articles The Board direct that the Justices of the Police Office do cause the said Articles to be sold at public Auction and that the Monies arising from such Sale be paid into the City Treasury.

A Letter from John Jones to the Clerk was read in which he signifies his consent to accept the Terms offered him to pay the Interest on the purchase Money at 5 Pr Ct & the Quit Rent reserved of one bushl of Wheat per annum per Acre for the Common Lands he purchased And he further Offers to pay $5000 of the purchase Money immediately & to give his Notes with two good Endorsers for payment of the Residue in 3, 6, 9 & 12 Months with like Interest which proposals the Bd agreed to

[8] And the Board on further consideration of the subject agreed to relinquish the Quit Rent of Wheat reserved on Mr Jones's purchase up to the 1st day of May last And that the like Indulgence be granted to all the other purchasors of the Common Lands.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
	Magnus Beekman for the like	62: 2: 6
	Hugh Gobel for the like	62: 2: 6

City of New York } ss.

At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen purst to the Statute in such Case made & provided on Wednesday the 22d day of Jany 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post
Robert Lenox
John B Coles
Selah Strong
Richard Furman
Jacob De LaMontagnie

The Board proceeded to examine the Tax Lists delivered in by the Assessors of the several Wards and thereupon settled the Quotas of the several Wards on the follows Ratio vizt

	1st Ward	$1,500,000
	2d do	3,100,000
	3d do	3,000,000
	4th do	2,000,000
	5th do	1,500,000
7th Wd	7th So of Line	1,600,000
7th Wd	7th No of Line	1,400,000
7th Wd	Harlem	0,400,000

[9] The Board then determined and ordered the Amount of the Monies to be raised by Tax, pursuant to & for the purposes mentioned in the Statute passed the 3d day of April 1799 entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor Recorder & Aldermen of the City of New York to order the raising Monies by Tax for the maintenance of the Poor, & for defraying the other contingent Expences arising in the City & County of New York & for other Purposes." to be as follows vizt

On the City & County of New York	$69666 66
On the same for Schools	2360
On the City of New York South of the Line in the said Statute mentioned & described	40333 34
Total	$112360

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of Jany 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Jacob De LaMontagnie		Philip Brasher	
Jotham Post		Philip Ten Eyck	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		John Crolius	
		Nicholas Carmer	
		Mangle Minthorn	

[10] The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board: vizt

The Auditing Committee Report that they have examined the Annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor, of Monies received and paid by him for Market fees from the 31st day of December 1798 to the twenty eighth day of December last inclusive. That the Mayor has received from James Culbertson now deceased and Bartholomew Skaats and Hugh Goble Deputy Clerks of the Market [including Ninety two pounds eight shillings. paid by his Order for Sweeping and Cleansing the Market]. The Sum of one thousand seven hundred and sixty five pounds sixteen shillings. That

the Mayor has retained the one half of the last mentioned Sum to his own use and has paid the Sum of four hundred pounds to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer and has now in his hands the Ballance of three hundred and ninety pounds ten shillings.

The Committee further Report that they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor of Monies Received and paid by him for Licences Granted to Tavern Keepers from the first day of March last to the Seventeenth day of January instant inclusive. That he has received for 1090 Licences the Sum of One thousand six hundred and thirty five pounds. That he has retained three tenth parts thereof to his own use That he has paid to George Forman for printing the Blanks for the year 1799. fourteen pounds eleven shillings. That he has paid to John C Totten for printing the Blanks for the year 1800 . fourteen pounds eight shillings that he has paid to Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder two hundred Pounds That he has paid to Garrit Gilbert Esquire the Commissioner of Excise. twenty eight pounds twelve shillings. and three pence. as a Commission for receiving and paying over £1144.10. due to the Board; That the Mayor has paid to Daniel Phœnix the City Treasurer the Sum of six hundred Pounds. and that he now has in his hands the Ballance of two hundred and eighty six pounds eighteen shillings and nine pence; All which appears from the preceding Accounts.

New York 27th January 1800. Jacob De La Montagnie, Philip Brasher, John Nitchie } Auditing Committee

[11] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor pay the said Ballances into the City Treasury

M^{r} Mayor Suggested to the Board that for want of due information it frequently happened that Tavern Licences were granted to improper persons; and he therefore signified to the Members of the Board his wish to have their aid and opinion in guarding against the evil in future, and his inclination not to grant a Licence on or after the first day of March next to any but a Citizen of the United States, except to such proper Characters as are now licensed, nor to any other applicant who shall not have resided in this City for at least two years

Whereupon the Board signified that they approve of the Mayors determination in the premises and recommend to him not to grant a Licence to any person whomsoever, unless he shall personally know the applicant or receive a proper recommendation in his favor from respectable Citizens.

Whereas the Inhabitants of this City have experienced great inconvenience by reason that the Election of Charter Officers is in and by the Charter of Incorporation of this City directed to be held on the twenty ninth day of September in every year at which Season for several years past this City hath been afflicted with uncommon Sickness and Mortality in so much that a great proportion of the Electors for Charter Officers have been obliged to abandon their places of residence to avoid disease—and that from the great increase of the Inhabitants and Trade of this City and the consequent accumulation of Law Suits, the Terms of the Court of Common pleas called the Mayors Court, which are by Law limited to three days only are become too short for the dispatch of the public Business therein

And further that in the opinion of this Board it would be very useful and proper that all the Statutes of the State making alterations in the Charter of this City and which have from time to time been enacted on Petition of the Common Council of this City should be incorporated and form one Statute. That the powers vested in the [12] Special Justices for preserving the peace in the City and County of New York should be enlarged and also that the Common Council of this City should have power to order the Meetings of the Courts of Justice in this City and such other meetings of the Common Council and Magistrates as are now by Law specially directed to be held in the City Hall, to such other place or places in this City as in their Judgment shall be most Convenient and proper; whenever by reason of Sickness or other great Emergency it shall to them appear necessary.

Resolved that a respectful Petition be presented to the Legislature for leave to present a Bill or Bills to be enacted this present Session. To Change the time for holding the annual Election of Charter Officers in this City from the twenty ninth day of September to the third Tuesday in November in every year that the persons elected be sworn into and Commence the duties of their respective Offices on the first Monday in December in every year And that the present Charter Officers in this City elected at the last Annual Election or at any Election since and sworn into Office and any other Charter Officer who may be hereafter elected and sworn into Office before the fourteenth day of October next hold over and Continue in the exercise of their respective Offices until the first Monday in December next and until other or others shall be elected and sworn in their places respectively.

To enlarge the Terms of the Courts of Common pleas called the Mayors Court from three to five days and to amend alter and incorporate into one Statute all the Laws making alterations in the Charter

of this City as aforesaid and also such as respect the powers & holding of the Mayors Court and Courts of General Sessions of the peace in the City and County of New York and which respect the City only and do not form a part of the General Laws of the State at large.

To Authorize the Special Justices for preserving the peace in this City and County for the time being to exercise the same powers and Authorities in this City respecting Cases of Bastardy, Apprentices and [13] Servants and Vagrants or Vagabonds, taking special Bail and Administring Oaths in Causes depending in the Court of Common pleas called the Mayors Court and also to take Affidavits to be read in the same Court in like manner as the Aldermen of this City are Authorized to do And to Authorize the Common Council of this City for the time being whenever by reason of Sickness or other great Cause they shall determine it necessary to order and direct all or any of the Courts of Justice of this City the Meetings of the Common Council or Magistrates or any other Meetings or Public business and which by Law is required to be held and done at the City Hall of this City to be held and done at such other place or places in this City as in their Judgment shall be proper and Convenient.

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to a Copy of the said Petition to be presented to the Legislature and that Mr Mayor Subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board vizt

The Committee to whom it was refered to report what would be a proper Compensation to Robert Benson Esquire the Clerk of the City for his Services as Clerk of this Board—Do Report—That in their opinion the following Sums for the periods thereunto affixed will be a Suitable and proper reward for his Services as Clerk of the Common Council, for his Attendance, for keeping the Records of the Board and of the Magistrates, drawing all Licences, Bonds, Grants and other Writings that may be necessary for the Board for Sealing all Instruments requiring the Corporation Seal and for all other Public Services for which no particular compensation is prescribed vizt

From the Commencement of his Official Services in 1784 to 1 March 1788	1200:0
From 1 March 88. to 1 March 92 @ 400 D.	1600:0
From 1 March 92. to 1. March 96 @ 450 Do.	1800:0
From 1 March 96. to 1. March 1800 @ 500 D.	2000:0
Ds....	6600:0

[14] Your Committee further Report that from the best Information they can Collect R. Benson Esquire has Received from and for

Tavern Licences during the Term of his Services aforesaid and which is intended by your Committee to be deducted from his Account as part payment thereof as follows

1784— 320	Licences	@ 6/	240: 0
1785— 320	Do	Do	240: 0
1786— 320	do	do	240: 0
1787— 364	do	do	273: 0
1788— 385	do	do	288:75
1789— 330	do	do	247:50
1790— 414	do	do	310:50
1791— 472	do	do	354: 0
1792— 484	do	do	363: 0
1793— 566	do	do	424:50
1794— 595	do	do	446:25
1795— 709	do	do	531:75
1796— 902	do	do	676:50
1797—1021	do	do	765:75
1798—1071	do	do	803:25
			6204:75
Deduct for Commission to W Gilbert Printers Bills and other Contingent expences say 5 P Ct			310:20
		Dollars	5894:55
Amount of Compensation by this Report proposed			6600: 0
Amount of Money received thereon by Mr Benson for Licences of Taverns			5894:55
		Dollars	705:45

This Sum of Seven hundred and five Dollars and 45 Cents will be due Mr Benson on the first day of March next and your Committee Recommend that the same be paid immediately in Order to Close this Account (that has been so long unsettled) up to that period all which is respectfully Submited to the Board

New York 27th Jany 1800

Jno B. Coles
Ph. Ten Eyck

Ordered that the Mayor pay the foregoing [15] Balance out of the Balance in his Hands Arrising from Tavern Licences.

Ordered that the Watchmen do immediately on an Alarm of Fire at Night give notice thereof to the Fire Wardens, vizt Those of the 1st, 2d, 3d, & 4th by the lower Watch & those of the 5th, 6th & 7th Wards by the upper Watch And that a List of their Names with their places of Residence be affixed up in the Watch Houses.

The Police Justices informed the Board that certain Dies & other

Apparatus for counterfeiting spanish milled Dollars & which were taken from Persons bro't to Justice convicted of the Offence, & lodged in their Office remained there & requested the Board to advise what ought to be done with them Whereupon the Board advised the destruction of the said Dies & Apparatus by the Police Justices in presence of the auditing Committee of this Board.

The Clerk reported to the Board the follow^{g} Statem^{t} of the Settlem^{t} with John Jones for the Common Lands sold him viz^{t}

33¼ Acres @ $400		$13300.00
Deduct for so much advanced M^{r} Jones towards making the new Road		200.
	ball^{ce}	$13100.—
Interest on the ball^{ce} from 1st May 1797		1785.
	ball^{ce}	14885.$^{54}/_{100}$
M^{r} Jones has p^{d} the Treas^{r}		5000.
remains due for ball^{ce}		9885.$^{54}/_{100}$

To be paid in 4 Notes viz^{t}

1 Note payable in 3 Months for	$2500	
1 D^{o} d^{o} 6 D^{o}	2500	
1 D^{o} D^{o} 9 D^{o}	2500	
1 D^{o} includ^{g} the Interest on all the Notes payable in 12 M^{ths}	2691	10191 —

Ordered that on M^{r} Jones giving the said Notes & executing the counterpart, the Deed sealed with the Common Seal & subscribed by M^{r} Mayor be delivered.

[16] Ordered that Isaac Minard 2^{d} W^{d} Cordwainer be appointed a fire Man to Engine N^{o} 11 vice Nich^{s} Van Antwerp appointed an Engineer

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The Police Justices on Acc^{t} towards the Relief of indigent S^{t} Domingo Refugee families	$100
iss^{d}	The Committee for arranging & direct^{g} the procession in honor of the Memory of Gen^{l} Washington dec^{d}	1582^{99}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps	£91:17: 4
iss^{d}	Joseph Webb for Repairs to Lamps	£3:16: 6
iss^{d}	E. Belding & C^{o} for printing	$50
iss^{d}	Ann Greenlief for the like	£40: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Office of Mercantile Advertizer for the like	$50
iss^{d}	M^{c}Lean & Lang for the like	£44:—:—
iss^{d}	Office of Daily Advertizer for the like	$58

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 3d febv 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John B Coles Robert Lenox Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Crolius Nichs Carmer John Nitchie Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher	Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited & inspected the several Wards in the Alms House & Bridewell The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the Books of the Commissrs and compared them with their respective [17] Vouchers & found them right & just

Those of the Alms House amounts to.....	£4411:16:10
Those of the Bridewell.....to.....	686: 7: 6

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter was then read & approved vizt

For the Alms House.....	$7500
For the Bridewell.....	500

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay the Commissr the said Monies accordingly.

The Board proceeded to consider the Petitions of John Jones & Thos Ten Eyck for Relief agt the Ordinance passed for filling in their Water Lots between Coenties & the Old Slips and also the Petition of Isaac Burr & others for enforcing the said Ordinance and it was determined that no Relief could be given

Ordered that Aldn Post & Mr Minthorn be added to the Committee of the Street Commissioners on the Petition for establishing a Ferry across the East River at Hellgate & opening a public Road thereto.

On reading a Petition from the Trustees of the African School for aid, the Committee formerly appointed on the subject of Schools was discharged And a new Committee on that subject was appointed vizt Aldn Post. & Messrs Carmer and Crolius: to whom the said Petition was referred.

A Petition for regulating & digging out Mulberry Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Request of Willet Seaman for Allowance for his Services as Treasurer of the Commissioners of the Alms House was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

[18] On Motion of Aldⁿ Coles.

Resolved that a Petition be presented to the Legislature stating "that among the various other Causes which probably tend to promote Disease in this City during the Summer & Autumnal Seasons are the Buildings erected in many Parts of the City on Lots of Ground so short as not to admit of Yards of sufficient Size and in many Instances of none at all by which Means those Buildings are deprived of the benefit of a free circulating Air & the Cellars or other Parts thereof become the Receptacles of the Filth & Dirt of the Families. That the Buildings erected on the Lots on each side of Moore Street, the Lots on the West side of Broad Street in the Neighborhood of the Exchange Slip and the Lots on the West side of the Fly Market Slip (the Buildings on which are generally very Slight & in many Cases in a decayed Condition) are particularly of this Description, That to remove the Evil it is conceived that if those Lots together with the adjoining Lot could be taken, by an Agreement with the Owners or on an Appraisement by Verdict of a Jury, and formed into Lots of proper Size and disposed of to Persons who would erect proper & wholesome Buildings thereon, reserving sufficient Yards, the Health & Comfort of the City would be greatly promoted" And praying Legislative Provision for removing the Evil & providing indemnification to the Owners.

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Petition & that Mʳ Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board.

An Application of Henry Smith Butcher to be licensed to Stand Nº 15 Oswego Market was granted

[19] Ordered that Jacob Van Winckel of the Ward be appointed a Fireman to Engine Nº 3 vice George Gosman appointed fire Warden And Sands Ferris 3ᵈ Wᵈ Grocer & George Cock 3ᵈ Wᵈ Merchᵗ to Engine Nº 18 vice John J Richie removed from the City & Nathaniel Hawxhurst resigned.

Mʳ Mayor produced to the Board Receipts of the Treasʳ that he had paid into the Treasury the Sum of £390:10/ for the Ballᶜᵉ on his last Accᵗ for Market Fees And the Sum of £4:15:2 on Accᵗ of Tavern Licences Also a Receipt of Robert Benson for the Ballᶜᵉ due him for his Services as Clerk of this Board for $705 45/100 which two last Sums amount to the Ballᶜᵉ due from the Mayor for Tavern Licences as will appear from the Report of the auditing Committee at the last Meeting.

Ordered that Dʳ Bailey continue in the use of the House & Lot at

the Corner of State & Pearl Streets during the pleasure of the Bd and for no longer Term than one Year from the first May next

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Commissr of the Health Office for removing indigt Persons sick with the Yellow Fever, last Season, from this City to the Marine Hospital & providg them with sustenance Medicine & Attendance	$881 50
issd	The Justices of the Justices Court	$456
issd	Theophs Beekman Police Justice	$187 50
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie Do	$187 50
issd	Hugh Gobell for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Adrian Bogert towards a new Well in front of the Hospital	$37
issd	The same for the like in Cathn Street 6th Wd	$23
issd	The Commissrs of the Alms House to be applied towards the relief of indigent families	$500

[20] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday the 17th day of febr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Richard Furman Jotham Post Jacob De LaMontagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius Nicholas Carmer	Assists

Ordered that a Bond from this Corporation to the Manhattan Society for $5000, to pay up the 8th Installment on the Shares of this Corporation, be made; that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Bd

The President of the United States having been pleased to issue his Proclamation recommending it to the People of the United States to assemble on the 22d day of February Instant, in such manner as may be convenient, publickly to testify their Grief for the Death of Genl George Washington; And this Board being desirous that the said Recommendation should be duly observed in this City, Do earnestly recommend it to their fellow Citizens to observe the same accordingly

A Report of the Fire Wardens was read & referred to the Committee on the Fire Department; And Messiers Brasher and Crolius were added to the Committee

A Petition for dividing the 7th Ward was read & the consideration thereof postponed.

[21] Ordered that the Clerk write the Persons named in the Statute for widening Beaver Lane & for continuing Bancker Street to Pearl Street requesting them without delay to execute the Powers vested in them in & by the said Statute.

The Bd remit to John Spillard, on Acct of the indigence of his family, half the Penalty of which he is convicted for retailing spiritous Liquors to be drank in his House without Tavern Licence.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursmts.....	£21: 6:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobell for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Edward Meeks Iron Work to Lamps.....	£36: 1:—
issd	Thos & James Stevenson Blacksmith Work at St Pauls Church for the Eulogium on the Death of Genl Washington	$11 25/100
issd	Baltus Moor for Candles.....	£3: 9: 2
issd	Joseph Sidney & others for Music.....	£2:10:—
issd	John S Delamater for disbursemts on the same Occasion	$2

[22] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 3d day of March 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius John Crolius Philip Brasher Nicholas Carmer	Assists

His Excellency the Governor by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having been pleased to reappoint Richard Varick Esqr to the Office of Mayor of this City for the ensuing Year his Commission under the Great Seal of the State was read & published & he took the Oaths in & by the Charter prescribed & directed

The Board agree that Water be taken of the Manhattan Society for the use of the Debtor Goal and that Mr Carmer take order for the conducting of the Business accordingly.

A Petition of John Raper to be licenced as a Butcher to Stand No 34 Fly Market was read, and the Board agreed that it be recommended to Mr Mayor to license him to that Stand until a further Regulation be made.

A Petition of Wm Thomas for a Grant of a Water Lot at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

[23] A Petition of the Purchasors *of the Purchasors* of the Common Lands for an abatement of Interest on the purchase Money was read and it was directed that they be informed that this Board have already determined that they should have the like Terms as those granted to Mr Jones

A Petition of the Proprietors of Water Lots between the Whitehall & Exchange Slips to run out Piers into the River was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

A Petition for digging out Lombard Street was read & referred to the St Commissrs

Robert Gilchrist signified to the Board that he had appointed on his Part Wm Rhinelander to assess & report the Recompence due to the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt decd for the Land taken to improve Greenwich Street Whereupon the Board appointed Gabriel Furman Esqr on their part accordingly.

A Petition of John Hughes Auctioneer for indulgence as to the incumbering of the Street contrary to the Street Law was read & rejected.

On a Report of the Chief Engineer that sixteen new Leaders for the fire Engines was become necessary; it was ordered that he procure them under the Direction of the Committee on the fire Department

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nicholas Carmer on Acct	$500
issd	[24] Wm Van Waert for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nicholas Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Thomas Hazard for lights Lamps	£91: 13: 4
issd	Goodeve & Brown for Candles	£3: 18: —
issd	David Marshall for superintends the public burying Ground	£32: 2: —
issd	George Furman for repairs Lamps	£17: 10: 10
issd	Sydney Phœnix for coppys Tax Books	$122 75/100
issd	Henry Rogers for lost fire Buckets	$4
issd	George Bowne for the like	$4
issd	Peter Griffen for the like	$4
issd	John Clendining for the like	$4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 10th day of March 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox
Jacob De LaMontagnie
Richard Furman
Jotham Post
} Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorne
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
John Crolius
John Nitchie
} Assistts

His Excellency the Govr by & with the advice & consent of the Council of appointment having be[en] pleased to reappoint James Morris Esqr to the Office of Sherif of this City & County the Commission under the Great Seal of the State was read & published His Bond for the due execution of his Office being also read & approved, he took the Oaths prescribed & directed in & by the Charter

[25] On reading a Petition of Hugh McDougall for Relief against a Suit brought against him on the Building Law, the Board signified their consent that, on his paygs the Prosecutor his part of the Penalty & the Costs, the execution against him for the other part be stayed for four Months.

Ordered that Mr Ellison have further time given him 'till 15th May to fill up his Lots on Moore Street.

A Letter from Aldn Coles to Mr Mayor now attending the Legislature as a Senator suggesting several Matters relative to this City which require legislative Provision, was read & referred to Aldn Lenox De La Montagnie & Furman.

Ordered that John Linen 3d Wd Cooper be appointed a fireman to Hook & Ladder Co No 1.

Ordered that the Treasr deposit the Notes recd of Mr John Jones as well as all other Notes which may be taken and all Monies recd & which may be received in payment for the Common Lands sold, into the Manhattan Bank in discharge of the Bonds of this Board given in payment of the several Installments on the Shares of this Board in the said Bank.

Ordered that a notification be published in the News Papers to all such of the purchasers of the Common Lands at public Auction as have hitherto neglected to take their Deeds and pay the consideration Money that their Deeds are ready And that the Lots of all such who neglect or refuse to accept & [26] take their Deeds by the 10th day of April next will be considered as relinquished by the Purchaser and

sold at public Auction on the 15th day of April next to the highest Bidder—the Loss on the second Sale to be borne by the former Purchaser.

The Bd agree that the extra Watchman employed in protecting the Persons employed in emptying Privies at Night be allowed 5/6 each Man per Night

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17th day of March 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post
Jacob De laMontagnie
Richard Furman
Robert Lenox
} Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher
John Nitchie
Nicholas Carmer
John Crolius
Philip J Arcularius
Philip Ten Eyck
Mangle Minthorn
} Assistts

A Request of James Morris Esqr Sherif for the cleaning & lighting of the Debtor Gaol at the public Expence was read & rejected.

A Petition of Robert Snow for Relief on a Suit brought against him on the Buildgs Law was read & rejected

A Petition & Representation of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell against the Practice of committing Slaves to the Bridewell was read & rejected.

A Petition for a Well in Crown Point Street was read & granted on the usual Terms.

[27] A Petition of James Mills to be appointed a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

A Petition of Duncan Campbell to [be] appointed an Inspector of fire Woode

A Petition of Benjamin Morgan relative to his Store House part of which stands on the Street near Pecks Slip

And a Petition of Jacob Nicolls to be licenced as a Butcher were respectively read & rejected

A Petition of George Stanton & others for a new Regulation of the Line of the North side of John Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

A Petition of Robert Lylburn relative to the Lots of Common Lands he purchased at Auction was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Taylor for remission of Fines recovered against him for retailg Liquors without Licence was read & rejected

Ordered that John Van Norden of the 5th Wd Cartman be appointed a fireman to Engine No 20 vice John Motley resigned.

The Committee on the Letter from Alderman Coles read at the last Meeting made a Report which was read & agreed to

And thereupon Resolved that in the Opinion of this Board it would be expedient to commit all Causes relative to Seamans Wages & for Assaults & Batteries at Sea brought by them against the Masters or other Officers of the Vessel to which they have belonged, where the Sum in controversy shall not exceed fifty Dollars, to the Justices for trying Causes to the value of ten Pounds in this City; and that all such [28] Causes for assault & Battery be commenced within five Days after the arrival of the Parties into this Port: But that the Act to be passed for the Purposes aforesaid should be of a limited Duration that the Expedience of the same be fairly tried.

Resolved also that it will not be expedient at present to commit the Trial in Cases of Pettit Larceny & in all Cases of Assault & Battery to the said Court

Ordered that a certified Copy of the above Resolutions with the Common Seal affixed and subscribed by Mr Mayor be transmitted to the Members from this City in the Legislature

A Report of the Committee on the subject of Schools was read & postponed.

A Memorial of Isaac Van Vleck on behalf of himself Daniel Denniston & Samuel Breese surviving Trustees of the Proprietors of the late Negro burial Ground stating that the Conveyances for the Gore of Land at the Corner of Broad Way & Chambers Street are finally compleated & ready for delivery to this Board in exchange for the Conveyance to be made by this Board to the said Trustees of the Lots agreed to be delivered to them. was read

Ordered that the Conveyance from this Board be prepared accordingly

Ordered that the Street Commissrs examine & report what improvement is necessary to the Common Sewer at the lower end of Broad Street with an Estimate of the Expence

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman	62: 2: 6
issd	And Thomas Hazard for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell.....	£24: 7: 6

[29] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th day of March 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman, Robert Lenox, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Jotham Post } Esqrs Aldn

John Nitchie, Philip J Arcularius, John Crolius, Philip Minthorn, Philip Ten Eyck, Philip Brasher } Assistts

A Petition from a number of Persons interested in the sale of Fire Wood praying a further suspension of the Law on that Subject until they be enabled to bring to this City & sell as refuse Wood great quantities of that Article which was cut short of the standard previous to their knowing of the Resolution of this Board to enforce the Law; was read & rejected.

A Petition for a fire Engine & House & also Lamps, in the neighborhood of East Rutgers Street; was read & referred to the Lamp Comtee

Whereas this Board did on the 23d day of April 1798 receive & accept of Nicholas Gouverneur, Lewis Ogden, Peter Ogilvie George Janeway & Nicholas Low a Release of a certain Street at Corlaers Hook called Gouverneur's Street of the breadth of fifty feet And whereas this Board did on the 15th day of July last (not recollecting the acceptance of the said Street) Determine that there [30] should be no other Street between Montgomerie Street & Scammel Street nor between Scammel Street & Ferry Street, Resolved that the said Street called Gouverneur Street accepted & established as afd be and the same is hereby continued & established anything in the said Determination of this Board of the 15th July last to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox, De La Montagnie & Coles be a Committee to consider of the expediency of erecting a new City Hall & to report to the Board their Opinion thereon, as also the proper Place, a Plan of the Building, an Estimate of the Expence and in what manner the present City Hall ought to be disposed of

A Request of Wynant Van Zandt Junr to make Vaults in the Street in front of his two new Houses in Broad Way was read & granted

A Estimate & Assessment for raising Magazine Street was read & ratified by the Board And Abm Stagg was appointed to collect the Monies & execute the Work on his giving Bond for the performance in three Months.

[31] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 1st day of April 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Robert Lenox, Richard Furman, Jacob DeLaMontagnie, Jotham Post

Assistts: Philip Brasher, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, John Crolius, Philip Ten Eyck

Pursuant to the Statute for regulating Elections the Board proceeded to the election of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Senators and Members of Assembly and of a Representative in Congress & the following Persons were duly elected. vizt

1st Ward	2d Ward
Jacob Morton	Anthony L Bleecker
Garret Keteltas	Solomon Simson
William Hilyer	William Henderson
3d Ward	**4th Ward**
John McVickar	George Lindsay
Thomas Tom	James Warner
William Bowne	Jacob Abramse
5th Ward	**6th Ward**
James Roosevelt	Anthony Steenbach
Thomas Brown	Joseph Watkins
Nicholas N Anthony	Joshua Barker

7th Ward

Benjamin Thurston
James Striker
Edward Williams

[32] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Charles Dickenson Coroner for Inquests on dead Bodies..	£27:12:—
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	£92: 4: 4
issd	Bernard & Plumb for lamp Oil.....	£149:14: 9
issd	Latham Bunker for the like.....	£640: 7:—
issd	Wilson Rawson for the like.....	£449: 4: 3

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 7th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post Richard Furman Selah Strong Jacob De LaMontagnie Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn John Nitchie Philip Brasher John Crolius Nicholas Carmer	Assistts

Whereas this Board did on the 11th day of November last determine & order that the Law for regulating the sale of fire Wood brought to this City should with respect to the length of such Wood be strictly enforced from & after the first day of April then next And it being suggested that great quantities of fire Wood intended for this Market was cut before the making & publishing of the said Order it is deemed expedient to prolong the said time until the first day of August next [33] This Board do accordingly ordain that fire Wood brought to this City, although the same may not be of the length required by the said Law shall and may be sold until the said first day of August next Provided always that the Inspectors of fire Wood do cause each Load of such fire Wood to be so stowed in the Cart as in their Judgment to contain a full and compleat quarter of a Cord.

Ordered that Aldn Lenox & De La Montagnie & Mr Crolius be a Committee to revise the subject & report a more effectual Regulation for the sale & cartage of fire Wood

Ordered that Aldn De la Montagne & Lenox & Mr Nitchie be a Committee to determine & direct the Clerk with respect to the Notes given in payment by the purchasors of the Common Lands sold at Auction.

A Letter from James Watson Esqr relative to his Lot of Ground in Pearl Street was read & referred to the Inspectors of Lots.

[34] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Thursday April 11th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman Jotham Post Jacob De LaMontagnie Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn John Crolius Nicholas Carmer Philip Ten Eyck Philip J Arcularius John Nitchie	Assistts

Two Petitions complaining of Nuisances from Butchers slaughtering Cattle at their own Houses to the annoyance of their Neighbours were read & postponed

On reading Reports of the Street Commissioners & Inspectors of Lots.

Ordinances were passed for paving Reade Street from Broad Way to Ann Street Henry Street, Fayette Street & Harman Street & for digging out Lombard Street Also for filling up & raising certain sunken Lots situate in Front Street, Water Street Fly Market Street, Liberty Street, Pearl Street & Stone Street And for compelling the Proprietors of Water Lots between the Coffee House Slip & Burlings Slip to sink the Wharfs in front on the southerly Line of South Street & to fill in their respective Water Lots.

[35] Ordered that the Treasr provide & pay up the ensuing Installment on this Corporations Shares in the Manhattan Bank.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Silas Parker $198 $^{28}/_{100}$ for Lamp Oil.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday April 14th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jotham Post Selah Strong Richard Furman Robert Lenox Jacob De LaMontagnie John Bogert John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Nicholas Carmer John Crolius Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts

An application of Benjamin Morgan for Compensation for part of his Building taken down to continue front Street to Pecks Slip

was read & referred to the Street Commiss^{rs} to treat & settle with him

Ordered that the Ald^{n} of the 2^{d} & the Ald^{n} & Assist of the 3^{d} Wards be a Committee to enquire into the Regulations of the Fly Market & to report such further Regulations as may be necessary.

[36] A Petition for aid to the Charity School of the German Reformed Church in Nassau Street was read & referred to the Committee on the Subject of Schools

Ordered that the Ald^{n} & Assist of the 7th & the Assist of the 5th Wards be a Committee to report on the expediency of erecting a new Market at Catharine Slip with a Plan of the Building & an Estimate of the Expence.

Ordered that Jonah Tilly of the 3^{d} Ward Grocer be appointed a fireman to Engine N^{o} 25 vice W^{m} Post resigned And John Rutzer 2^{d} W^{d} Shoemaker And Michael Tremper 3^{d} Ward Sailmaker vice James Gosman & Rob^{t} Sneedon resign'd

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay.

iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t}	$500
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Ald^{n} Bogert for Copies of State Laws	£2: 2:—
iss^{d}	John Miles & Israel Haviland for fire Buckets	1736^{44}/_{100}$

[37] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 21st day of April 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Assist^{ts}
Richard Furman	Philip Brasher
John Bogert	John Crolius
Selah Strong	Philip Minthorn
Jacob De laMontagnie	John Nitchie
Robert Lenox	Nicholas Carmer
John B Coles	Philip J Arcularius
	Philip Ten Eyck

Peter Hawes lately appointed Coroner of this City & County attended the Board with his Commission which was read & he took the Oaths prescribed by Law & the Charter.

The Committee on the subject of Weigh Masters in this City reported regulations & Fees for the said Office which was read &

approved & the Clerk was directed to prepare an Ordinance agreably thereto.

The Board then proceeded to the appointment of Weigh Masters and Measurers and the following Persons were duly appointed accordingly.

Charles Duryee, Daniel Kemper — Weigh Masters

Nicholas Carmer, Thomas Ogilvie, Jeremiah Marshall — Measurers of Boards Plank & Timber

[38] Abraham Van Gelder, Jasper Stanton, William Heyer, Uzziah Coddington — Measurers of Lime

And the follows Persons as Measurers of Grain Salt & Coal.

Luke C Quick	William Ballard
William Wamsley	James Gibson
Daniel Van Antwerp	William Terry
Joseph Earle	John Wright
Andrew Hegeman	Samuel Bleecker
Aaron Howell	Samuel Milligan
Jacob Mott	John Cameron
Samuel Arnet	

Ordered that Mr Recorder on behalf of this Board be authorized to settle with David A Ogden Atty of Isaac Man for his claim against this Board for certain Pine Logs furnished by him on a Contract with the Corporation in the Year 1774, for conveying water through the Streets of this City provided the Ballance on such settlement does not exceed £843:15/. And that in case of such settlements taking place that Mr Mayor issue his Warrant on the Treasury for payment of that Sum. iss[d]

Ordered that George Gosman be permitted to make Vaults under the Street in front of his new Houses at the Fly Market & also to rebuild the private Drain leading from the Cellars of those Houses to the Common Sewer under the Fly Market.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasr to pay iss[d]

Jacob De la Montagne special Justice	$187 50/100
Theophs Beekman the like	187 50/100
Bernard O Blenis, Clerk police Office	225
Conrad Weekman for Lamp Posts	£15: 0: 6
Michael Brooks for glazing Lamps	£32:16: 3

[39] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of April 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong Robert Lenox Richard Furman John Bogert Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldermen	Philip Ten Eyck John Crolius Philip J Arcularius Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher John Nitchie	Assistts

Mr Mayor informed that the Recorder had made a Settlement with Mr Ogden as Atty for Isaac Man And that agreably to the Order of the last Meeting a Warrant on the Treasury for the ballce due £843: 15/ had been issued accordingly.

On reading a Petition of Wm Snyder & John Milledoler Exrs of Daniel Shaffer decd

Ordered that Permission be given them to assign & transfer a Lease, of this Corporation to the said Daniel Shaffer, of Lots No 114 & 115 fronting Chatham Street to David Marsh.

Ordered that Caleb S Riggs Esqr be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his House in Cedar Street

Ordered that James Wendell be appointed a Measurer of Grain.

Ordered that the two Street Commissrs & Mr Crolius be appointed to Assist Gabriel Furman Esqr in obtaining information on the Reference between this Board & the Heirs of Nichs Roosevelt decd as to Compensation for part of his Land taken to improve Greenwich Street.

[40] The Board having revised and amended the Bye Laws or Ordinances of this Corporation for the Good Rule and Government of this City the same were respectively reordained and Published to be and Continue in force for one year vizt

"A Law for the due observance of the Lords day called Sunday"

"A Law directing the uses of the Public Seals in the City of New York"

"A Law to Regulate the admission of Freemen in the City of New York."

"A Law to Regulate the Public Markets in the City of New York"

"A Law to Establish the Assize of Bread in the City of New York."

"A Law to Regulate the Paving and keeping in repair, and to prevent obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York."

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York"

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Landing and Sale of Hay in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York."

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York"

[41] "A Law to regulate the Sale and Cartage of Manure, Sand and Clay in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the Fees of Weigh Masters and Measurers in the City of New York"

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the rates of Wharfage."

"A Law to prevent the Ringing or Tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York."

"A Law for regulating Fences in the City of New York."

"A Law to prevent the setting of fences or other obstructions in the River within the limits and Jurisdiction of the City of New York."

"A Law to Regulate the Sale of Horses & to prevent their running loose in the Streets. To prevent racing in the Streets or Highways and to Regulate the passing of Carriages by each other in the City of New York."

The Committee appointed to treat with Benj[a] Morgan respecting the Compensation to be made to him for his Damage in removing his Store to open & continue Front Street to Pecks Slip reported that M[r] Morgan had consented to accept of five hundred Dollars in full Compensation for his Damages & Expences; which was agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that on his executing & delivering to this B[d] a Release of all Claim which he may have ag[t] this Board on any Covenant contained in the Lease to Peter R Kissam of the Lot whereon the said Store was erected M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer to pay him the said Sum accordingly.

[42] On a suggestion that the Judges of the Supreme Court wished to have some improvement made to the Court Room M[r] Nitchie, M[r]

Ten Eyck & Mr Carmer were appointed a Committee to take order for making such Improvements thereto as shall be necessary.

Ordered that William S Leacraft of the 6th Ward Taylor be appointed a fireman to Engine No 15 vice James McMasters removed from this City.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Willson Rawson for Lamp Oil	$1294 9/100
issd	Thomas Hazard for lights Lamps	£92:11:—
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$400

[43] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday May 5th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert John B Coles Richard Furman Selah Strong Robert Lenox Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer John Nitchie Philip J Arcularius John Crolius Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn	Asstt

Mr Mayor & the Members proceeded to visit & inspect the State of the Alms House & Bridewell & being returned.

The auditing Committee reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissrs of the Receipts & Expenditures of the Alms [House] & Bridewell in the last Quarter & found them right

Those of the Alms House amounting to	£3998: 9: 1
Do of the Bridewell	£565:12:11
The Commissioners Estimate for the ensuing Quarter vizt for the Alms House	£5000:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts for payment thereof accordingly.

Ordered that Thomas Pinckney, Patrick McGuire & Thomas Bushfield be appointed Measurers of Grain.

[44] Ordered that the supposed Encroachment made by Peter R Livingston by his Building on Broad Way & Beaver St be referred to the Street Commissrs and the Aldn & Assist of the Ward to enquire into & report.

A Petition of Robert Bogardus & others for a Centry Box at the Corner of James & Rutgers Streets was referred to the Ald^{n} & Assist of the Ward.

Ordered that the Law relative to the public Docks & Slips be referred to the Ald^{n} of the 1st 2^{d} & 3^{d} Wards to examine & to report such Amendment as may be necessary.

Ald^{n} Coles on behalf of the Manhattan C^{o} represented to the Board that they had determined to erect a large Reservoir for the supplying of the City with pure Water and that a Piece of Ground in the highest part of the City in or near the Park was considered as most proper for the purpose He therefore requested that a Committee of this Board should be appointed to meet and confer with the Committee of the Manhattan Company on that subject as to the most proper Place for erecting the said Reservoir, the quantity of Ground required and what reasonable compensation in Return ought to be made to this Board Whereupon the Committee appointed on the 12th June last viz^{t} the Aldermen of the 5th & 6th Wards and the Assistant of the 2^{d} Ward do meet and confer as afores^{d} with the Committee of the Manhattan C^{o} & report the Result to this Board

[45] Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for ball^{ce} due him on his Acc^{t} for Fewel for the City Hall & Watch Houses.....	£3:19:—
iss^{d}	The same on Acc^{t} for the like.....	$500
iss^{d}	David Marshall for superintend^{g} the public burying G^{d}..	£22:14:—
iss^{d}	The Justices of the Justices Court for their Services....	$456
iss^{d}	Charles Dickenson late Coroner for Inquests on dead Bodies	£10:10:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th day of May 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor
Richard Harison Esq^{r} Recorder

John B Coles	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Mangle Minthorn	Assist^{ts}
Selah Strong		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		John Crolius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox		John Nitchie	
Jotham Post		Philip Brasher	
Richard Furman		Philip Ten Eyck	

On the Request of the Managers of the State Road Lottery Ordered that they have the use of the Great Court Room for the drawing of the said Lottery.

[46] A Petition of the Butchers in the Fly Market complaining of the want of Room by the present arrangement of their Stalls was read & rejected.

Ordered that Jon^{a} Conrey pay the ballance remaining in his Hands on the Assessment for paving James Street to Ald^{n} Jotham Post to be by him distributed amongst the Proprietors of the Lots front^{g} such parts of the Street which was left unpaved, by Peter Hardenbrook, & which has since been paved at their private Expence after having paid their respective Assessments.

A Petition of D^{r} Nicholas Romaine for a Grant of the Soil under Water in front of his Land at Corlears Hook or to make Improvements thereon was read & rejected.

A Petition for digging out Montgomery Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Petition of Divie Bethune & Hector Scott for Grants of the Soil from High to Low Water Mark in the River in front of their Land at Greenwich was read & the Board determined it inexpedient to grant at present

On reading a Letter from D^{r} Tillery Resident Physician recommending the erection of two small Buildings near the Marine Hospital, for the accommodation of Poor Persons who may be afflicted with the Epedemic Fever in the City, iss^{d} the expence of which Buildings is estimated at £100; the Board direct that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasurer to pay Ald^{n} Richard Furman Health Officer that Sum to be applied under his Direction, to that purpose accordingly

[47] Ordered that Ald^{n} Lenox & the two Street Commiss^{rs} examine the State of Bell Vue Hospital & report to the Board what further Provision is necessary to be made

The Proprietors of the Land commonly called the Negro's burying Ground having executed to the Board Releases of all the Ground to the South of Chambers Street the Board accordingly this Day examined & approved a Release from this Board to the said Proprietors of the Ground on the North side of the said Street as also of three certain Lots in the vicinity (as the same is discribed & fully explained in the Reports of the Committee on the 27th June & 19th July 1796) whereupon it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Release & that M^{r} Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed Fire Men vizt
Engine No 13 John E Ruckle 4th Wd Baker & Thomas Pryor Sail-maker vice Danl Waldron & James Pritchet resigned
No 10 Aaron Place 7th Wd Milkman & Nichs Steele 7th Wd Butcher vice John Fitzgarly & Thomas Wellings resigned.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the Repairs to the Bd Street Com. Sewer	$250
issd	The Clerks at the late Genl Election	$112
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

[48] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th day of May 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong John B Coles Jacob De LaMontagnie Jotham Post John Bogert Richd Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn Philip J Arcularius John Crolius Philip Ten Eyck John Nitchie

Assistts

A Petition of Saml Bowne for Relief on a Suit brought against him on the Building Law was read & rejected.

Ordered that Andrew Norwood & Joseph Meeks be appointed Measurers

Petitions of Charles Duryee & Danl Kemper lately appointed Weigh Masters for an Alteration, in their favor, of the Regulation of their Office; was read & rejected.

A Petition of Wm Stewart for permission to vend Baskets of his own Manufactory in the Fly Market was read & referred to the Committee on the Fly Market

On reading a Petition for filling up the Slip at the lower end of Broad Street It was ordered that it be filled up to forty feet from the South side of South St And that the St Commissioners take order for the doing of it.

[49] Two Petitions, one for & the other against the removal of the Broad Street Market House to the Old Slip were read & referred to Aldn De La Montagnie & the St Commissrs

On a reconsideration of the Recommendations of the Board to

Mr Mayor on the 27th Jany last relative to the granting of Tavern Licences, the Board rescind that part which advises the withholding Licences from all such as may not have resided in this City two Years.

A Petition for a Watchman at the upper end of the Broad Way was read; which together with the Petition of Robert Bogardus & others for the like in James's Street was referred to Aldn De La Montagnie & the St Commissrs

On a Complaint agt Halsey Mead Butcher for neglecting to attend his Business at his Standing in the Market Ordered that his Licence be suspended.

Ordered that if any Licensed Butcher shall neglect his personal Attendance at his Stall or Standing or shall neglect to provide the same with a regular & sufficient supply of good Meats for the space of fourteen Days, or shall place himself in the Street, among the Country People or others, to sell his Meat, or shall employ or suffer his Apprentice or Servant so to do, such Butcher shall forfeit his Standing & Licence and the same shall be granted to another.

Mr Recorder suggested to the Board certain Regulations on the subject of the Watchmen & Lamps which was referred to Aldermen Coles & De La Montagnie with the aid of Mr Recorder to revise particularly as to the number & Character of the Watchmen

[50] The Committee on the subject of public free Schools made the following Report "That they have examined the Account of the Chamberlain & find that there has been received from the State 10345 Dollars & from the City & County of New York 4720 Dollars making in the aggregate 15065 Dollars for those Establishments. That there has been paid to the different free Schools by orders of the Corporation the Sum of 3840 Dollars; which leaves a Ballance in their Hands of 11225 Dolls That by a Law of the State the one sixth part of this Sum which is 1870 $^{84}/_{100}$ Dolls is to be distributed among the different free Schools; Your Committee therefore recommend a distribution of this Sum among them in proportion to the number of Scholars each School contains vizt

The Episcopal Church	86	Scholars	.....	$404 20
The Presbyterian do	50	do	.....	235 6
The Dutch Church	72	do	.....	338 40
German Lutheran do	20	do	.....	94 6
Scotch Presbyterian do	30	do	.....	141 6
Methodist do	30	do	.....	141 6
African School	110	do	.....	517
				$1870 84

The Committee further report this Sum of 1870 $^{8}/_{100}$ Dollars to be paid to the diff^{t} Schools deducted from the whole Sum in hand will leave a Ball^{ce} of 9334 $^{16}/_{100}$ Doll^{s} that there is due from the State 13255 Doll^{s} and from the City & County of New York 7080 Dollars which Sums amount to 20335 Doll^{s} This Sum when received with the Sum in hand will make 29689 $^{16}/_{100}$ Dollars to be appropriated to the use of free Schools. The disposal of this Sum is left to the [51] Corporation; and the Committee take the liberty of suggesting whether the establishing one or more free Schools upon as liberal & extensive a Plan as the Funds will admit of would not be adviseable or whether it would be more adviseable to encrease the support by vesting the Ball^{ce} in the Funds of the United States or some other equally or more productive."

Jotham Post
John Crolius Jun^{r}
Nich^{s} Carmer

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay the Sums mentioned in the said Report for the use of the free Schools accordingly.

Ordered that Ald^{n} Coles & Strong with the Treasurer enquire & report to the Board the most proper Fund for vesting the said Monies agreable to the said Report

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed fire Men viz^{t}

Engine N^{o} 3 Evert Bogardus 2^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice John Farrington resigned

d^{o} N^{o} 13 Timothy Nostrand 3^{d} Ward Grocer vice John Lent resigned

d^{o} N^{o} 16 John R Mesier 4th W^{d} Grocer vice Joseph Newton appoint^{d} fire Warden

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The Justices of the Police Office on Acc^{t} towards Relief of S^{t} Domingo Refugees	$100
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Carmer on Acc^{t}	$500
iss^{d}	Ald^{n} Coles on Acc^{t} towards filling in Cuylers Water Lot	$300
iss^{d}	Jenkins & Sons for Lamp Oil	$1289^{58}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles	$8^{62}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Salary & Disbursem^{ts}	$61^{12}/_{100}$

[52] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th May 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post		John Nitchie	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip Brasher	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Selah Strong		Nichs Carmer	
Richard Furman			
John Bogert			

Charles Duryee, by his Letter read this day, having declined to accept the Office of Weigh Master Fletcher M Beekman was appointed in his stead.

A Petition of Halsey Mead, Butcher to be restored to his Licence was read & granted.

A Petition of James Reading Butcher to be released from the payment of the Ballance due on the purchase Money of his Standing was read & rejected.

A Petition for a regulation of certain Streets in the 6th Ward was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that Aldn Coles & Strong & Mr Arcularius be a Committee to enquire into the Subject & to report a more œconomical Plan for lighting the public Lamps by contract or otherwise

On a representation of the Co of fire Engine No 1 that James Riker had neglected to do his duty as a fireman Ordered that he be displaced & that Lawrence Moore of the [53] 6th Ward Carpenter be appointed in his stead

Ordered that Aldn Coles & the Street Commissrs agree with some Person for a Contract to erect a Bridge across Bensons Creek at Harlem & report the same to the Board.

Ordered that James Spier 4th Wd Blacksmith be appointed a fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 1 vice Thomas Pryor who has joined an Engine.

The two following Reports were read and agreed to by the Board viz

"The Committee to whom it was referred to consider of Certain Resolutions proposed for the better Government of the Watch of this City, beg leave to recommend to the Common Council the following regulations.

1st That the several Captains of the Watch shall on the third Monday in every Month return to the Board a correct List of their

several Companies Containing the Names, Ages, Occupations, Places of Birth and Places of abode, of the several persons who Compose the same specifying therein the Streets and Numbers of the Houses (if Numbered) where the Watchmen reside and that such Reports be as nearly as may be in the form annexed.

2d That No Aliens shall be employed as Watchmen.

3d That the Captains in their said Reports shall State if any of their Company have been Occasionally absent with the Causes of such absence and the Names and Descriptions of the persons who performed the Duty of the Absentees upon such Occasions.

4th That it be the Duty of the Aldermen and Assistants to examine as to the Characters of the Watchmen who reside in their Several Wards and their fitness to be employed in such Capacity.

5th That the Aldermen and Assistants of the Wards in which the Watch Houses are or may be situated do once at least in every Month without any previous [54] Notice thereof, at such Hours of the Night as they may think proper, repair to the said Watch Houses, and by proper Enquiries satisfy themselves that the said Companies are employed as their duty may require.

6th That the Captains of the Watch shall keep a Register of everything material that Occurs during the Night and shall report the same in the Morning to the Magistrates of Police

7th That it be enjoined upon the several Watchmen by their Captains to give Information to them if any of the Lamps have not been lighted or have not continued to burn during those Nights in which they ought to have been lighted that an Enquiry may be instituted as to the Causes of such Defaults which are to be Stated in the Reports of the Captains to the Magistrates of Police.

Rich: Harison
Jno B. Coles
Jacob De La Montagnie

"The Committee to whom were referred the Applications of several Citizens to have stands of Watchmen in several parts of this City report as follows viz: That they have obtained returns from the Captains of the Watch of the several Stands of Watchmen belonging to the several Watch Houses in this City and after maturely considering the Subject are of Opinion that the Watchman stationed at the Corner of Bayard and Mott Street be removed to the Corner of Division and Rutgers Streets, That the Watchman stationed at Stevens Store be removed to James Street and that one of the Watchmen

stationed at the Debtors Prison be removed to the upper part of Broadway in the Sixth Ward of this City.

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Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert
Richd Furman

[55] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the Common Sewer making at the lower end of Broad Street.....	$500
issd	John Furman for printg Ordinances.....	£24:17:—
issd	Wm Van Waert for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	$229 6

City of New York } ss.

At a Common Council held on Monday the 2d day of June 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
John B Coles		Nicholas Carmer	
Jotham Post		John Crolius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Philip Ten Eyck	
Robert Lenox		Philip J Arcularius	
Richard Furman		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Mangle Minthorne	

Ordered that the Treasr make the usual Settlement with the Collectors of Taxes in the several Wards & report the same to the Board at the next Meeting to the end that the Board may be enabled to determine on the Sums necessary to be raised this Year

The Board determine that the Block or Piece of Ground on part of which the new Watch House is erected is situate in the 5th Ward.

[56] A Petition of John Remsen & others for one or more Piers, to be run out in the River, between the Whitehall Slip & the Broad Street Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee & Aldn Coles.

A Petition of Henry Carrier to be licensed as a Butcher & to have the Stand No 36 Fly Market was read & granted.

Ordered that William Nielson & Henry Rogers be permitted to make Vaults & Areas to their respective Houses in Water & Cortlandt Streets.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs with the Aldn & Assist of the 6th Wds enquire into the Character of such Aliens as may be employed as City Watchmen and that they direct such as they may deem worthy of the Trust to be continued in service.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Abm Stagg for so much assessed on the Corporation for filling in Magazine Street.....	£19:10: 3
issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the Common Sewer in Broad St & the Bridge across Benson's Creek at Harlem	$1000
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	Gabriel Furman Esqr as an additional Allowance to him for his Services as Health Commissr last Year.....	$250

[57] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 10th day of June 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong, Jacob De LaMontagnie, John Bogert, Richard Furman, John B Coles } Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nicholas Carmer, John Crolius, John Nitchie } Assists

Mr Mayor produced to the Board a Warrant of the Auditor of this State on the State Treasurer to pay to the order of this Board the Sum of $12368 Dollars to be applied to the discharging of the following unpaid Accounts for Fortifications vizt

	$	Cts
Jacob Smith	254	16
John Banker	143	56
Gerardus Deforest	17	50
Underhill & Townsend.....	10	23
Thomas & James Stevenson.....	11	56
John Avery	4	6
Cornelius Brinckerhoff	30	—
George Dominick	25	30
John Hooglandt	69	6
Mercantl Advertizer	2	37
John Videtto	107	86
Commissrs of the Alms House.....	603	—
Henry Rutgers	53	27
Fred: & Phil. Rhinelander.....	96	96
Street Commissrs	265	—
Seth R Kneeland.....	1032	75

	$	Cts
Brought forward	2726	64
[58] Peter Caruth	1785	4
Joseph F Mangin	235	—
Eugene Lucett & Co	44	61
Smyth Batchelor & Barton	1507	80
Peter Schermerhorn	130	84
James Riker	8	25
Kenneth McKenzie	406	52
Thomas Smyth	3	—
John Martin	171	75
Ebenezer Stevens	4625	7
Gabriel Furman	426	4
Dolls	12368	—

Ordered that an Order under the Common Seal and subscribed by Mr Mayor be made on the State Treasurer to pay the said Monies to Aldn John Bogert to be by him applied in the discharge of the said Accts accordingly.

Petitions of several Persons to continue to vend Coffee in the Street at the Fly Market was read & rejected.

A Petition of John Dickey Master of the Brigt Washington from Cork praying Relief on a Suit brought against him for neglecting to report his Passengers according to Law; was read & rejected

An Ordinance was passed for filling up the Slip at the End of Broad Street to within 40 feet of the South side of South Street.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Joseph Webb for repairs Lamps	£4: 12: —
issd	Hugh Gaine for his printg Acct	£575: 10: —

[59] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 16th day of June 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Anthony Post John B Coles John Bogert Jacob De LaMontagnie Robert Lenox Richard Furman	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Philip J Arcularius John Crolius Mangle Minthorn Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts

Petitions of the follows Masters of Ships vizt John Gore, William Scott, Thos Holden Laban Gardiner, William Moores, Christn Whipple, William H Nicholls & Francis Hill praying Relief on Suits brought against them for neglecting to report their Passengers were read And it was determined and ordered that on their entering into Bonds with Surety to indemnify the City against the Support of such of the said Passengers as shall be named by the Mayor the said Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

Ordered that Mr Mayor be permitted to make such Alteration in the pavement of Broad Way & Pine Street as in his Judgement will improve the said Streets.

A Petition for regulating Duane Street between Greenwich & Washington Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissrs.

[60] Ordered that two Watchmen be stationed at the Debtors Gaol.

A Representation by Gilbert Golding & Geo. Hyler of misconduct & neglect in the management of Hoboock Ferry was read & referred to the Aldn & Assistt of the 4th Ward.

Ordered that John Hooglandt be allowed payment for one lost fire Bucket

An Acct of Ezekiel Robins for his Services as a Commissr of the Health Office in the Year 1798 was presented & referred to the Street Commissrs & the Aldn & Assist of the 2d Ward.

Ordered that Mr Recorder be requested to use the necessary Means for compelling the Persons named in the Statute passed the 9th April 1795, entitled "An Act for continuing & extending Bancker Street in the 5th Ward of the City of New York into Pearl Street & for widening Beaver Lane in the 1st Ward of the said City," to a faithful discharge of the Duties required of them in & by the said Statute.

Ordered that the Treasurer do obtain Lists from the Collectors of Taxes, of the Persons who have neglected or refused to pay, that Warrants for the immediate collection may be issued.

Ordered that the Capt[s] of the City Watch may continue to employ such Aliens as have been employed for some time past and are noted & recommended in their Returns made this day as faithful & deserving Characters.

[61] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 23[d] day of June 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De la Montagnie Selah Strong John Bogert Richard Furman	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher John Nitchie John Crolius Philip J Arcularius	Assist[ts]

M[r] Mayor laid before the Board a Letter he had received from Samuel L Mitchel LLD Professor of Nat: Hist: Chemistry & Agriculture in Columbia College, in which he recommends the use of Lime Stone in the erection of Buildings & paving Streets in this City to promote the Health thereof; which was read & considered by the Board; And thereupon Resolved that the said Letter be published for the Information of the Public And that M[r] Mayor be requested on behalf of this Board to thank D[r] Mitchell for his Zeal & Attention evidenced in the Communications contained in his said Letter and that they will be happy to receive such further Communications as he shall think proper to offer on the subject of the Health of this City.

[62] The follow[g] Report of the Street Commiss[rs] was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

" The Street Commiss[rs] to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Saunders & others relative to the regulating & filling Chappel, Church, Catharine & Thomas Streets;

Report that they have examined the Streets mentioned in the Petition and are of Opinion that the Prayer thereof ought to be granted and that they have caused Surveys to be made which they herewith present to the Board They further Report that they have examined Duane Street from Greenwich Street to Washington Street and are of Opinion it would be proper to pass an Ordinance for paving the same agreably to the Prayer of the Petitioners. They would also recommend the passing an Ordinance for digging out & paving first Street from Division to Fisher Street agreably to a Survey heretofore made by the City Surveyors and also Greenwich Street from Provoost to Watts Street agreably to a Survey herewith presented.

They would further beg leave to represent that a part of Roosevelt Street from Cherry Street to Water Street is in a filthy & broken situation and in their Opinion ought to be repaired at the Expence of the Board."

The follow[g] are the Regulations of the Streets mentioned in the aforegoing Report & agreed to by the Board.

[63] Regulation of Thomas Street

From the East side of Church Street to the Intersection of Chapel Street with a descent of 2 2/10 Inches on 10 feet—and from Chapel Street to the Intersection line of Hudsons Street with an ascent of 1 9/10 Inches on 10 feet—In consequence of this Regulation the Intersection line of Church Street and Thomas Street is to be dug 2 feet 6 Inches below a certain Stake fixed for a Mark and at the extent of 140 feet it requires digging 10 Inches further along at the extent of 103 feet 6 Inches it requires raising 4 feet 7 Inches being the Intersection of the pump further along 92 feet it requires raising 8 feet 5 Inches further along 131 feet 6 Inches—it requires raising 6 feet 9 Inches being the Intersection line of Chapel Street Thence with an ascent of 1 9/10 Inches on 10 feet to the Intersection line of Hudsons Street at the Extent of 94 feet it requires raising 1 feet 8 Inches—further along 151 feet—raising 6 feet 3 Inches—further along 95 feet it requires raising 1 foot—being the Intersection line of Hudson's Street

Regulation of Greenwich Street from the pavement at Provoost Street to Watts Street

Descent from the pavement at Provoost Street to Moore Str: with 1½ Inch on 10 feet—it requires in a distants (from the south side of Provoost Street) of 152 feet 6 Inches—1 foot 3 I. digging further along at the Extent of 87 feet 6 Inches [64] being the south side of Moore Street—digging 1 foot 3 Inches Thence with an ascent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the midle of the Blocks—and descent again with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the nex[t] Street—it requires from Moore Street at the Extent of 87 feet 6 Inches—raising 9 Inches—further along 87 feet 6 Inches to the south side of Beach Street it requires raising 3 Inches—further along from the North side of Beach Street 100 feet it requires raising 2 feet 11 Inches—at the extent of 100 feet to Hubert Street it requires raising 10 Inches further along from the North side of Hubert Street 87 feet 6 Inches—it requires raising 2 feet—further along 87 feet 6 Inches to Vestry Street it requires raising 1 foot 6 Inches—Thence from Vestry Street at the Extent of

87 feet 6 Inches, it requires raising 5 feet 10 Inches—at the Extent of 87 [feet] 6 Inches raising 5 feet 6 Inches—being the south side of Laight Street—Thence from the North side of Laight Street at the Extent of 87 feet 6 Inches—it requires raising 2 feet 10 Inches—Thence with a regular descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to Desbrosses Street and Watts Street—it requires at the extent of 87 feet 6 Inches raising 4 feet 6 Inches being the south side of Desbrosses Street—Thence from this south side of Desbrosses Street at the extent of 152 feet 6 Inches it requires raising 1 foot 2 Inches further along at the extent of 87 feet 6 Inches to the [65] south side of Watts Street it will remain as it is now

Regulation of Church Street

From the North side of Barley Street to the Intersection of Catharine Street—From the pavement at Barley Street with an ascent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Extent of 100 feet—thence descending with 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Intersection of Thomas Street and Catharine Street—In Consequence of this at the Extent of 108 feet it requires raising 2 feet 5 Inches—at the Intersection line of Thomas Street it requires digging 2 feet 6 Inches below the surface of a stake made for a mark—thence with an descent of 1½ Inch on 10 feet to the Intersection Line of Catharine Street, where it requires digging 1 foot 2 Inches—below the Surface of a stake fixed for a mark

Regulation of Catharine Street from the Intersection line of Broad Way to the Intersection Line of Chapel Street with a descent of 2 7/10 Inches on 10 feet—and from Chapel Street to the Intersection of Hudson Street with an ascent of 1 4/10 Inch on 10 feet. In consequence of this the Intersection line of Broad Way and Catharine Street is to be dig 6 Inches at the extent of 57 feet further dig 8 feet 9 Inches—further to an Extent of 71 feet dig 14 feet 8 Inches—at the extent of 57 feet further dig 12 feet 8 Inches at the extent of 56 feet further dig 7 feet 4 Inches—at the extent of 77 feet further dig 1 foot 10 Inches—at the extent of 107 feet further digging 1 foot 2 Inches being the Intersection of the East side [66] of Church Street—From thence further along 192 feet it requires raising 1 foot—further along 165 feet it requires raising 4 feet 10 Inches—further along to the Intersection Line of Chapel Street raising 4 feet. Thence with an ascent of 1 4/10 Inches on 10 feet—at the extent of 194 feet it requires raising 6 feet—further along 128 feet raising 7 feet 6 Inches—further along 114 feet raising 7 Inches being the Intersection Line of Hudson Street

Regulation of Chapel Street from the Intersection Line of Barley Street to the North side of Catharine Street with a descent of 1 5/10 Inch on 10 feet In consequence of this from the pavement in Barley Street at the Extent of 75 feet it requires raising 5 feet 5 Inches at the Intersection Line of Thomas Street 6 feet 9 Inches raising— further along 120 feet it requires raising 5 feet 3 Inches further along to the Intersection Line of Catharine Street it requires raising 4 feet.

Ordinances for digging out raising & paving the said Streets agreable to the said Regulations were passed by the Board accordingly

A Petition of Robert Rea & John Beete proposing to establish an Office to facilitate the finding of any Ship or Vessel lying at the Wharfs of this City was read & the Board determined that, although they approved the Measure, they had not legal authority to enforce any Regulation which might be made on the subject

[67] The Inspectors of Lots recommended to the Board the passing an Ordinance requiring the Proprietors of the following Lots to cause their respective Cellars & Privies to be filled up by the 15th July next under the Penalty of fifty Dollars for each neglect

The Privy on Lots N° 57 & 59 in Roosevelt Street Owned by Seth R Kneeland

the like on Lot N° 14 in Bancker Street same Owner,

the like on Lot N° 83 Murray S^{t}—Widow Bates

the like on Lot N° 27 Oliver S^{t}—John M^{c}Lean

the like on Lot N° 9—Chambers S^{t} Dan^{l} Burger

The Cellar of House N° 142 Pearl S^{t} owned by Isaac Gomez

The Yard on Lot N° 86 James S^{t} John Meyers

The Celler of N° 93 James S^{t} Richard Hallet

The Cellar of N° 30 Rutgers S^{t} & the Privy on said Lot—Henry Pope Owner

And an Ordinance was passed according^{ly}

The Committee on the Subject of a more œconomical System for the Alms House delivered in a lengthy Report; which was read and ordered to be printed in a Supplement to the News Papers to be delivered to the subscribers in the City & 50 Copies for the use of the Members of this Board And the further Consideration was postponed 'till the 14th July next

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Fayette Street was ratified by the Board And Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Tho^{s} Whytlaw & George Walton to pave the said Street, all of them to enter into Bonds for performance

[68] A Petition of the Bakers complainᵍ of the Assize of Bread; was read & referred to Aldⁿ Dela Montagnie Strong & Mʳ Nitchie

A Petition for paving the BroadWay at the Hospital was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Ordered that the Market Law be so amended as to prevent the Butchers from keeping as well as selling any Meat in the public Markets after the Hour limited by the said Law

A Petition of Robert Giles for Relief on a Suit brought against him, on the Law for regulating Buildings, as Builder of a certain House for Samˡ Bowne; was read & referred to Aldⁿ De la Montagnie to enquire into the Facts & report the same to the Board.

Ordered that Aldⁿ Coles & Lenox & Mʳ Nitchie be a Committee to confer & treat with the Proprietors of the Lots. required to be taken in pursuance of the Statute entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York to purchase certain Houses & Lots of Ground which are in such a State as to endanger the health of the City," and to report the same to the Board.

Ordered that the Treasurer discharge as much of the ballᶜᵉ due from this Board to the Manhattan Company on their Shares as the State of the Treasury will a[d]mit of and that he report to the Board the ballᶜᵉ remaining to be paid.

[69] Ordered that John Ferguson 7ᵗʰ Wᵈ Brewer be appointed a fire Man to Engine Nº 23 vice Henry Verveelen resigned.

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Wᵗˢ on the Treasurer to pay:

issᵈ.	The Sᵗ Commissʳˢ on Accᵗ	$800
issᵈ	Jacob Harsen on Accᵗ for Roads	$500
issᵈ	Hugh Gobel for Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issᵈ	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issᵈ	Nichˢ Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issᵈ	Wᵐ Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday June 30th 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De laMontagnie		Nichs Carmer	
John B Coles		Mangle Minthorn	
Robert Lenox		John Crolius	

A Petition of Ustace & Underhill & several others praying that *that* the Hucksters & others may be so removed as to leave a Carriage passage open through front Street at the Fly Market was read & referred to the Comtee on that Subject.

[70] A Petition of the Congregation of Sheareth Israel for a part of the public burying Ground for the particular use of their Congregation was read & postponed

Aldn De la Montagnie reported a State of Facts on the subject of Robert Giles's Petition read at the last Meeting and it was ordered that the half of the Penalty to which he will be subject on the Suit brought agt him under the Building Law, be remitted to him.

Ordered that Robert Benson & John McComb Junr be permitted to make Area's to their respective Houses building in Robinson St

The Board took *to* into consideration the situation of Capt Dickey confined in Goal on a prosecution for not reporting his Passengers according to Law and thereupon ordered that the Suit against him be discontinued on paymt of Costs

Ordered that Samuel Day 5th Ward Carpenter be appointed a Fire Man to Hook & Ladder Co No 2 vice Solomon Pancoast resigned.

Ordered that as an Amendmt to the Law for regulating the Sale of fire Wood, the followg Clause be added.

Provided always & be it further ordained that after the first day of August next All fire Wood brought to this City may be sold & carted, although the same be not of the length required by Law And that the Inspectors shall [71] cause so much of such Wood to be put on the Cart as in their Judgment to make a full & compleat quarter of a Cord

Ordered that a Bond from this Board to the Manhattan Company be made out for $37500 payable with Interest at six per Ct the same being for the Ballance due from this Board on their 2000 Shares in the

said Company—that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of the Bd

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Thomas Hazard for lights Lamps.....	£93:14: 1
issd	Moses Judah for cops Tax Book 3d Wd.....	$15

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 14th day of July 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post John B Coles Jacob De LaMontagnie Selah Strong	Esqrs Alds	Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn John Crolius Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts

A Petition for leave to erect a Market House at Brennans Street* near Greenwich Street was read & referred to the Street Comrs & the Assistt of the 7th Ward.

[72] The Committee on the Petition of the Bakers reported "That having met a Committee from the Bakers in this City and having heard all their reasoning on the subject, they are of Opinion that perhaps the only Mode this Board can adopt to afford Relief to the Petitioners and the Citizens at large would be to regulate in future the weight of Bread only and not the Price, leaving that to the Bakers. This would create an Emulation among the Bakers and would of course produce good Bread and in the Opinion of the Committee at a reasonable Price. The Committee are further of Opinion that all Loaf Bread baked for sale should be of the weight of one Pound and an half and of three Pounds and that any Loaf Bread offered for sale of a less weight should be liable to seizure and the Baker fined.

July 14th 1800 Jacob De la Montagnie
Selah Strong

Ordered that the Clerk prepare a Law agreable to the said Report

A Petition of John Staples for a Regulation of the East Line of the Bowery Lane was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that Anthony Dey be permitted to make a Vault in front of his House in Cedar Street

Ordered that the Report of the Committee on the Subject of the Alms House & Bridewell be further postponed 'till 1st Augt

* Marginal note reads *since Spring Street.*—ED.

[73] Ordered that in future the licensed Butchers may be permitted from the first July to the first November to sell their Meat, North of the Line mentioned in the annual City Tax Law, in Carts or at their Houses; On the express Condition however that they account on Oath for the established Market Fees to the Clerk of the Market as often as he shall require the same.

Ordered that John McIntyre of the 6th Wd Taylor be a fire Man to Engine No 1 vice Matthias Nack resigned.

Ordered that one of the Watchmen stationed at Hester Street be placed at the Debtors Gaol and that the Watchman lately removed from the Corner of Catharine Lane and placed at the Gaol be returned to his former station.

Ordered that the Treasurer make an immediate settlement with the Collector of Taxes in the seventh Ward

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The St Commissioners on Acct	$1250
issd	David Marshall superintendt of the public burying Ground	£17: 6:—
issd	Rinier Skaats for the ringing of the Bells on the anniversary of Independence	$19 50/100
issd	Jacob De la Montagnie one of the special Justices for 3 Mths Services	$187 50/100
issd	Theophs Beekman the like for the like	$187 50/100
issd	Bernard O'Blenis Clerk of Do	$225
issd	Hugh Gobel for the City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6

[74] Nichs Carmer the following Sums for the follows Accts viz t

	Repairs at Belle Vue Hospital	£5: 9: 6
	the like at the public burys Gd	£21: 0: 6
	the like at the Park	£16: 10:—
	the like at the Battery	£6: 13: 10
	the like on fire Engine Houses	£14: 17: 9
	the like at the Markets	£49: 13: 8
issd	the like at the Slips & Wharfs	£79: 6: 7
	the like at the City Hall	£29: 10: 4
	the like at the Bridewell	£67: 8: 2
	the like at the Alms House	£461: 16: 11
	the like at the Gaol	£89: 10: 7
	the like on Wells & Pumps	£288: 16: 5
	For his Services	$308

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 22d day of July 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Esqrs Aldn: Selah Strong, Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Robert Lenox

Assists: Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius

On a Report of the Street Commissrs the Board consent that the neighborhood be permitted to erect a Market House of forty feet wide & twenty feet long in Brennans Street, west of Greenwich Street, provided the proprietors of the Lots on each side extend the Breadth of [75] *of* the said Street to eighty feet And on the like report the Board direct that the Street Commissrs take order for rendering Greenwich Street passable and also that they report a Regulation for paving the said Street

Ordered that Gerrit Gilbert & James Thompson be permitted to make Areas to their respective Houses in Broadway

An Estimate & Assessment for paving Harman Street was ratified by the Bd & Waters Furman was appointed to collect the Monies thereon & Thomas Whytlaw & George Walton to pave the said Street.

The like for Reade Street & John Pier Groshon was appointed to collect & Abm Stagg to pave as aforesaid

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Wts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Joseph Tyler for a public Dinner on the 14th July Inst...	$138
issd	E: Beldon & Co for printing	$37 89/100

[76] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 28th day of July 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Jacob DeLa Montagnie, Selah Strong, John Bogert, Richard Furman, Robert Lenox, John B Coles

Assists: Philip Brasher, John Crolius, Mangle Minthorn, Philip J Arcularius, Philip Ten Eyck

A Petition of several Butchers to take the Water of the Manhattan Company into the Fly Market for their use; was read & granted under the Direction of the Committee for regulating that Market

The Clerk reported to the Board a new Law "to regulate the quality and weight of Loaf Bread in this City"; which was read & passed by the Board & ordered to be published.

The Board took into consideration the allowance which ought to be made to the two Commissioners of Streets & Roads for their Services and it was determined that they be allowed at the rate of One thousand Dollars each per annum

The Committee on the Fly Market to whom was referred the Petition of Ustace & Underhill and others reported as their Opinion that it would be expedient that all such Persons as are commonly denominated Hucksters and [77] who stand below the lower Meat Market be removed and that the Clerk of the Market provide them with Stands opposite to the Meat Markets; which was agreed to by the Board.

And it was determined & ordered by the Board that in future all such Regulations be made by & comitted to the Clerk of the Market.

An Ordinance was passed for paving the Broad Way from the present Pavement to Leonard Street.

Ordered that the Law relative to the public Slips & Wharfs be referred to Aldⁿ Coles Lenox & Strong to revise & report to the Board.

Ordered that Andrew Simmons of the 6th Wᵈ Cartman be a fireman to Engine Nº 23 vice Elisha Pinckney resigned.

Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗˢ on the Treasʳ to pay

issᵈ	The Stᵗ Commissʳˢ on Acctᵗ	$1000
issᵈ	Thoˢ Hazard for lightˢ Lamps	£91:15:—
issᵈ	Office of Daily Advertizer	£15:—:—
issᵈ	Wᵐ Van Wyck for Gun Powder on the 4th July Inst.	$157 25
issᵈ	David Waldron for Roads	£247:18: 7
issᵈ	Hugh Gobel for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issᵈ	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issᵈ	Nichˢ Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issᵈ	Wᵐ Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6

[78] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 4th Augt 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Jacob De LaMontagnie		John Nitchie	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Jotham Post		Mangle Minthorn	
Selah Strong		Nichs Carmer	
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Hs The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on a new System for the Alms House & after some time spent on the subject the further consideration thereof was postponed 'till this day fortnight

Ordered that the Clerk inform the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell of the time assigned as aforesaid and request of them to communicate to this Board such Observations as in their Opinion will tend to improve the System recommended by the Committee in the said Report

The Committee of Acctts reported that they had examined the Acctts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell [79] for the last Quarter & compared them with the Vouchers & found them just & right

Those of the Alms House amountg to..... £3357: 0: 8
& Those of the Bridewell to..... £599: 6: 9

issd An Estimate of the Commissrs for the Alms House the ensuing Quarter amountg to $7500 was approved & it was ordered that a Warrt for payment thereof be issued accordingly

A Petition of Saml Herbert for Relief agt a Suit brought for not reporting his Passengers according to Law; was read & it was ordered that the said Suit be discontinued on payment of Costs.

On an Invitation from the Faculty of Columbia College the Board agree to meet to Morrow to join the Procession at the annual Commencement

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed firemen vizt

Wm Handcock of the 2d Wd Cabt Maker & John Walker 4th Wd Cooper (to Hook & Ladder Co No 1) vice Saml L Page & Nevin Willson resigned.

To Engine N° 9 Rob^{t} M Brett 2^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice Aaron Pell resigned & John Reid 2^{d} W^{d} Bookbinder vice Obad^{h} Holmes dec^{d}

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	The Justices of the Justices Court.....	$468
iss^{d}	Peter Hawes Coroner for Inquests.....	$116 25
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6

[80] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday Aug^{t} 13th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Selah Strong
Richard Furman
John Bogert
John B Coles
} Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}

A Communication by Jon^{a} Dayton & Aaron Ogden on the subject of Slippage & requesting Permission to erect a Wharf or Pier on the West side of the White Hall Slip for the exclusive use of the Ferry Boats from Staten Island & Elizabeth Town was read & the Clerk was directed to inform them that the Slips being already farmed out no Measures could be taken on the subject at present

An Estimate & Assessment for paving 1st Street from Division Street to Fishers Street was ratified by the Board And Waters Furman was appointed to collect & receive the Monies assessed and George Walton to pave the s^{d} Street

Ordered that Richard Ten Eyck be appointed Inspector of Loaf Bread offered for sale in this City

The Board determine & order that to continue Rector Street of it's breadth to the Broad Way parcel of the Ground appertaining to the old Lutheran Church & now belonging to the United German Lutheran Church [81] is required and it is ordered that the Street Commiss^{rs} treat with the Proprietors of the Ground so required as to the Price to be given for the same.

[82] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of August 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldermen	John Crolius Junr	Assistants
Selah Strong		Nicholas Carmer	
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	
Richard Furman		Mangle Minthorn	
John B Coles		Philip J Arcularius	
Jotham Post		Philip Ten Eyck	

A Petition of John L Norton respecting Certain Lots situate in Moore Street praying to be relieved from Certain Judgments obtained against him for not filling up the said Lots was read and postponed.

A Petition of John Rayner of Kings County Butcher praying that the stand No 61. in the fly Market now holden by Andrew Ross who is unable longer to follow his Business be granted to him was read and postponed.

An Estimate and Assessment for Paving Duane Street from Greenwich Street to Washington Street was read and approved Ordered that John Pier Groshon be the Collector and that John McComb do the Work of the same

Ordered that in all cases of Work to be performed for the Corporation by any person or persons whomsoever he or they shall give Security for the due performance of the same.

A Petition from the Inhabitants and Proprietors of Houses and Lots of Ground in Catharine, Church and Leonard Streets Praying that a pump might be erected at the North West Corner of the Hospital Yard in the intersection of Catharine and Church Streets or in such other place near the same as the Board may Judge proper was read and Granted under the direction of Mr Carmer

[83] A Communication from the Commissioners of the Alms House and Bridewell of the City of New York was read and postponed until the Report of the Committee on the Alms House and Bridewell is taken into Consideration.

Ordered that George Gosman and others stand in the place of Edward Livingston with respect to Certain Lots in Hudsons River from high to Low Water mark as by referrence to the proceedings of this Board of the 9th November 1797 may Appear

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	The Street Commissioners on Account of the Exchange Slip Sewer				$800
issd	Rinier Skaats for one Quarters Allowance & disbursements				57:12
issd	Magnes Beekman one of the Captains of the City Watch for the Watchmen				155:31
issd	Hugh Goble	do	do	do	155:31
issd	William Van Wart	do	do	do	213: 6
issd	Nicholas Lawrence	do	do	do	213: 6

A Communication from Doctr Mitchell respecting Sinks and Privies in the City was read and Considered by the Board—Ordered that Alderman Coles be requested to thank the Doctor on behalf of this Board for his Attention to the promotion of the Health of this City and that he be requested to alter the same Communication in such manner that it may be published for the information of the Citizens

Ordered that a publication be made in the News Papers that proposal's Sealed up will be received at the Clerks Office in the City Hall until the 27th instant for the fees of Wharfage and Slippage from the 1st September next to the 1st May 1802.

[84] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 25th day of August 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldermen	Philip Brasher	Assistants
John B. Coles		Nicholas Carmer	
Jacob De La Montagnie		John Crolius Junr	
Selah Strong		Mangle Minthorn	
John Bogert		Philip Ten Eyck	

A Petition of Andrew Van Deursen of the City of New York Butcher praying that a stand might be given him in the Market now Building at the foot of Catharine Street instead of his stand No 32 in the fly Market was read and postponed

A Petition of Arthur Darly of the City of New York Stone Cutter praying that he might be granted the priviledge to remove a Wooden Building from one end of his Lot to the other was read and Ordered to lie on the table.

A Report of the Committee relative to the White hall Slip with sundry other Communications relating thereto was read and Postponed until Monday next.

An Estimate and Assessment for paving Henry Street from George Street to Charlotte Street was read and approved Ordered that

Thomas Whytlow and George Walton do the work upon their Complying with the General order and that Waters Furman be the Collector for the same.

A Communication from Thomas Ash relative to the Public Slips & Wharfs was read and postponed until the next Meeting.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Thomas Hazard for the Lamp Lighters.....	$229.66
issd	The Justices of Police for the St Domingo Refugees.....	100.

[85] The Board having Revised and Amended "A Law to Regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharfs and in the Slips of the City of New York and to Establish the Rates of Wharfage" Ordered that the same be published and that a further time for receiving proposals with respect to the Public Slips and Wharfs be given and Advertized until Friday next at 1 OClock P. M. in the Clerks Office in the City Hall.

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 29th day of August 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Jotham Post
Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert
Richard Furman
} Esqrs Aldermen

Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorn
John Crolius Junr
Philip Ten Eyck
} Assistants

The following proposals respecting the Slips and Wharfs having been handed in the Clerks Office, Sealed. were opened by the Board and Read as follows to Wit.

Alexander Mowatt Offers to give at the Rate of twelve thousand and ten Dollars per year from the 1st of September next to the first day of May. 1802.

Charles Smith (No 272 Water Street) Offers to give twelve thousand Dollars Per year for the same period.

Stephen Bourdett Offers to give Eighteen thousand Dollars for the whole Period.

Thomas Ash Offers to give Seventeen thousand Dollars for the whole Period

D. Thompson offers to give at the Rate of Ten thousand three hundrew Dollars per year for the same Period

It appearing to the Board that Alexander Mowatt's [86] Offer was greater than any other delivered, Resolved that he have the same on

his giving approved Security for the payment of the purchase Money in Quarterly Payments.

An Estimate and Assessment for paving Broadway from the end of the pavement now laid to the South side of Leonard Street was read and approved of, Ordered that John M^cComb do the Work on his Complying with the General Order and that Anthony Brown be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Thomas Street was read and approved of, Ordered that Robert Watts & C^o do the Work on Complying with the General Order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Chapple Street was read and approved of, Ordered that Robert Watts & C^o do the Work on Complying with the General Order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Catharine Street was read and approved of—Ordered that Robert Watts & C^o do the Work on Complying with the General Order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

An Estimate and Assessment for filling up Church Street was read and approved of—Ordered that Robert Watts & C^o do the Work on Complying with the General order and that John Pier Groshon be the Collector for the same.

It having been represented to the Board that some Convenient and proper place for a Public Pound was requisite and necessary to be made in the City

The Board Order that Richard Furman, Jotham Post and Mangle Minthorn be a Committee to enquire what place would be most proper to have the same kept and report thereon with the necessary regulations with all Convenient speed.

[87] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of September 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

John Bogert Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie John B. Coles	Esq^rs Aldermen	John Nitchie Nicholas Carmer Mangle Minthorn Philip Brasher	Assistants

A Letter from Alexander Mowatt informing the Board that the proposal which was given in by him respecting the Slips and Wharfs

on the 29th of August last was given in on Account of Jotham Post Senior and a request that the Board should Consider Mr Post as the Purchaser was read—The Board agree to Consider Mr Post as the purchaser

Ordered that Peter Degroat Ward Shipwright be a fireman to Engine No 22. Vice Philip Lockwood who has Joined Engine No 17.

Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrant on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nicholas Lawrence one of the Captains of the City Watch for the Watchmen.....				$213: 6
issd	William Van Warts	do	do	do	213: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman	do	do	do	155:31
issd	Hugh Goble	do	do	do	155:31

[88] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 10th day of Septr 1800

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Richard Furman
Jotham Post
Selah Strong
Jacob De La Montagnie
John Bogert
} Esqrs Aldn

Mangle Minthorn
John Crolius
Nicholas Carmer
Philip J Arcularius
} Assistts

A Representation of Moses Coe & Daniel Coe was read stating that they had agreed with Jotham Post Esqr (provided it should meet the approbation of the Board) to take the collection of Fees of the public Slips &c on the like Terms Mr Post had agreed to take them.

An Application of Thomas Ash late Collector of those Fees requesting that if the Board should be disposed to release Mr Post from his bargain, he might be preferred on the like Terms was also read.

Whereupon the Question was raised & put Whether this Board would release Mr Post from his Bargain & take Messrs Coe in his place, & the same was carried in the Negative as follows. viz[t]

Affirmative	Negative	
Aldn Bogert	Aldn De LaMontagnie	Mr Arcularius
Aldn Furman	Aldn Strong	Mr Crolius
	Mr Carmer	Mr Minthorn

[89] A Petition of Capt Edward Shoemaker praying, for the Reasons therein mentioned, to be released from a prosecution commenced against him on the Statute relative to the landing of Passengers was read & granted on payment of Costs

A Petition of Elizth Maunsel & others praying that the Road may be so altered as to evade the steep Hill at Harlem Heighths was read & referred to the Commissrs for Streets & Roads.

A Petition of the Proprietors of Lots in Greenwich Street from Provoost Street to Watts Street praying for the Reasons therein set forth the Ordinance lately passed for paving that Street be suspended for the present was read & postponed until the Estimate & Assessment be returned to the Board.

Be it ordained that no Boat or Vessel of any description whatever, except the Paulus Hook Ferry Boats, shall be allowed to come into or lay in Cortlandt Slip: But that the said Slip shall be assigned to & for the use of the said Ferry Boats And if any Boat or Vessel of any description whatever shall or do come into or lay in the said Slip contrary to this Law, without the permission in writing from the Mayor or Recorder or one of the Aldermen of the said City, the Master Owner or Possessor of such Boat or Vessel shall forfeit & pay as a fine five Dollars for each Tide such Boat or Vessel shall lay or remain in the said Slip.

[90] The Street Commissioners who were directed to call on the Trustees of the United German Lutheran Churches relative to a piece of Ground belonging to said Churches at the head of Rector Street.

Report—That they have performed that service That the said Trustees are willing to dispose of a sufficient quantity of their ground to widen Rector Street to the same width as below, but that they Cannot agree as to the price, that the quantity requisite is Eleven feet in width in the rear nine feet four inches in front on Broadway and ninety seven feet six inches in length on each side the Commissioners are of opinion it will be proper for the Board to have recourse to the Law on that Subject

New York 8th September 1800

Richd Furman

John Bogert

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Blackwell and others relative to Establishing a Ferry and laying out a Road at Horn's Hook Report—That in their opinion the prayer of the Petitioners ought to be granted that they have Caused a Survey to be made agreeable to a plan herewith presented. They Also Report they have waited on the proprietors for the purchase of the said Ground and cannot agree for the same and therefore Recommend Submitting it to a Jury to be appraised agreeable to Law.

The Boundaries are as follows of the said Road Beginning at the East River at High Water Mark fifteen feet Northerly from the fixed

Boundary line of Archibald Gracie and the heirs of Nicholas Cruger and running along the East River South 29D 45M West 100 feet, thence North 60D 15M 66 feet thence North 29D 45M East 55 feet thence 30 feet from the above mentioned Boundary in a Parellel line North 60D 15M West 1232 feet to a Cross fence, thence North 53D West 670 feet to the Old Road thence along the old Road 75D 15M East 122 feet [91] thence South 53D East 559 feet, thence South 60D 15M East 1298 feet to the place of Beginning Containing One Acre, three roods two perches and Sixty three square feet

New York Septr 10th 1800 — Richd Furman, Jotham Post } Committee

The said two aforegoing Reports being duly considered were respectively approved of & agreed to by the Board And it was ordered that the Clerk prepare according to Law the necessary Precepts for the empanelling & returning Juries to enquire of & assess the Damages & Recompence due to the Owners of the said Ground required to make & continue Rector Street of a proper wedth to the Broad Way And also to the Owners of the Land required for the making & laying out of the said Road to the Ferry or Landing Place at Horns Hook agreable to the said Reports.

Ordered that the consideration of the Report on the Alms House & Bridewell be further postponed 'till next Monday Week.

issd Ordered that Mr Recorder issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay Nichs Carmer five hundred Dollars on Acct

[92] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th Septr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Selah Strong, Jotham Post, John Bogert, John B Coles, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Robert Lenox

Assists: Philip J Arcularius, Nicholas Carmer, Mangle Minthorn, John Nitchie, John Crolius, Philip Brasher

A Bond of Jotham Post & his Sureties for the due execution of the Business & payment of the Monies agreable to his Contract for the Fees arising from the public Wharfs & Slips was presented to the Board & approved & filed.

A Representation of Gilbert Van Mater Lessee of Brookly[n] Ferry was read & referred to Aldn Lenox & Coles & Mr Nitchie.

A Petition of Jacob Harsen & others for a Piece of the Common Lands for a Church & Cemetery was read And thereupon resolved that the public Grounds which remain unsold ought to be reserved for the public City purposes & therefore that it would be inexpedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition.

On a Request of Dr Brown Superintendt of the Manhattan Co Water Works.

Ordered that the St Commissrs furnish him with the regulated heighth of the Streets at the Corners of Cross St & Chambers Street

[93] The followg Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

Your Committee to whom was refered the Petition relative to the improvement of White Hall Slip Report—That this Slip from its local Situation Seems to be the natural point of Communication with Staten Island, Elizabeth Town and many other parts of New Jersey, and is the only Landing place for the Ferry Boats from those places, but from its present unimproved State Horses and Carriages cannot be taken into these Boats except at high Water, and their Numerous Passengers some old and infirm and Women and Children, are not unfrequently in bad and Windy weather obliged to Climb across the Decks of Several Vessels loaded with Hay and other Lumber to get out and into these Ferry Boats—Your Committee therefore recommend that a Peir be Built from the inner part of the White Hall Slip out into the River along side of the Battery agreeable to a plan made by Robert Valentine and now laid before the Board, which will likewise give very Considerable Accomodation, to the River Crafts and the many Boats that are Constantly Communicating with the Shiping in the lower Harbour—Mr Ryers and Mr Crane have both Offered to build this Peir at their own expence Provided the Corporation will give them a Lease thereof for twenty one years, but your Committee are of opinion that the Various Public Accommodations that this Peir will afford are too important for the Corporation to put it out of their Power and Controul.

There are thirteen Elizabeth Town and Staten Island Ferry Boats Mr Crane who has Leased the five former for three Years, Offers thirty Dollars for each Boat per Annum for the Accommodation the proposed Peir and Stairs will afford him, and the owners of the Staten Island Boats will probably pay about half that Sum for each Boat of theirs

New York 23. August 1800

Jno B Coles
Richd Furman } Committee
John Bogert

[94] Ordered that the same Committee take Measures for obtaining Proposals to build the said Pier on Contract & report the same to the Board

Ordered that Mr Carmer take Order for putting the Rail Fence at the public burying Ground in good Repair

A Petition of John L Norton for Relief on several Suits brought agt him for not complying with an Ordinance for raising certain Lots in the 1st Ward was read And it was determined that on his paying the Penalties imposed by the said Ordinance the Costs of Suit be remitted

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	The Street Commissrs on Acct towards Cathn Slip Market	$1000
issd	David Marshall Superintendt of the public burying Gd	£16:12:—
issd	Evert Bancker for surveying	£4:—:—
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6

[95] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of Septr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert Jacob De La Montagnie Selah Strong Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Philip J Arcularius Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn John Crolius	Assistts

Ordered that the auditing Committee with Aldn Coles & Lenox be a Committee to attend at the Treasurers Office to examine & audit his annual Accts & to report to the Board.

A Petition of John Rayner to be licenced as a Butcher was read & granted.

A Petition of Joshua Sands for a Grant of the Soil between high & low Water Mark in the River in front of his Land at Brooklin was read & referred to the Street Commissrs & Aldn Strong & De La Montagnie & Mr Brasher

A Proposal of Stephen Colver to furnish a patent Machine on a new construction to clear the Slips & Docks of Mud & Filth; was read & referred to the Street Commissrs to enquire into and if they shall find it expedient to make a Contract.

A Petition of Hugh Gaine for permission to erect a Market House at his Ground in Greenwich Street.

Ordered that Joseph Newton be permitted to make an Area & Vault in front of his new House building in Cortlandt Street

[96] A Petition of James Barry, an Alien Grocer lately arrived from Europe, for a Licence to keep a Tavern was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs cause Peter Benson's Land which was taken for the new Road at Harlem to be put in good Rail Fence at the expence of this Board; which is to be considered in lieu of the Sum awarded to him by the Jury as a Recompence for his damage.

The Treasurer presented to the Board a List of outstanding Debts due to the Board And on enquirs into it the follows appear'd to be irrecoverable & Lost and were ordered to be charged to the City of New York vizt

George Harris	£3:10:—
Abraham Acker	22:—:—
Wm Godby	22:—:—
Walter King	24:—:—
Francis Colegrove	24:—:—
Wm Roe	40:—:—
Matthew Vogel	43:—:—
Matthew Fox	42:10:—
James Reading	37: 8:—
Thos McKean	32:13: 9
Potter & Garritson	60:—:—
Mead & Hubby	62:—:—

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Thos Hazard for the Constables & Marshalls who conveyed Vagrants to Bridewell	£38: 7: 6
issd	Israel Haviland for Leaders to fire Engines	£198:—:—

[97] City of New York } ss. At a Meeting of the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen of the City of New York as the Supervisors of the City and County of New York held on Monday the 22d day of September 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

John Bogert
Jacob De La Montagnie
Selah Strong
Richard Furman
John B Coles
} Esquires Aldermen

In pursuance of the Statute of the State of New York passed the 7th day of March last past entitled "An Act to enable the Mayor,

Recorder and Aldermen of the City of New York to Order the raising Monies by Tax for the Maintenance of the Poor and for defraying the other Contingent expences arising in the City and County of New York and for other purposes." The Board having Considered of the Amount of the Monies necessary to be raised by Tax for the several purposes in the said Statute mentioned—Do order that the Sum of Seventy five thousand Dollars be raised by Tax on the Estates real and personal of the Freeholders and Inhabitants within the said City and County of New York to be applied to the Support and Maintenance of the Poor of the said City and County, the support and repairs of the Bridewell, the Support and Maintenance of Criminal Prisoners in the same, the making, repairing, regulating and improving the Public Roads and Streets and the Defraying of other Contingent Expences arising within and properly Chargeable to the said City and County

And the Board do in pursuance of the said Statute further Order that the Sum of Forty five thousand Dollars be raised in like Manner by the said Tax in that part of the said City which lies to the Southward of a certain line in the said Statute particularly described, to be Applied to the payment of so many Watchmen as the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the said City in Common Council Convened shall from time to time determine to be necessary for Guarding the said City, to the purchase of [98] Oil, providing Lamps and repairing and attending those which now are and hereafter may be erected in the said City, to the Cleaning repairing and making the Public Wells and Pumps in the said City and to defray the other Contingent Expences arising in and properly chargeable to that part of the said City which lies to the Southward of the line aforesaid as the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty in Common Council Convened may from time to time direct and for Supplying the Deficiencies of former Taxes upon the same part of the said City owing to Insolvencies and fees of Collection as aforesaid—And the Board do in pursuance of the said first mentioned Statute direct and Appoint that the said Several Sums of Money Ordered to be raised by Tax as aforesaid be paid into the Hands of the Treasurer or Chamberlain of the said City on or before the first day of March next. And the Board do Certify to the Commissioners of Taxes that the Sum of two thousand three hundred and sixty Dollars is to be raised by the said Tax in the said City and County to be applied to the use of Schools

Ordered that the Clerk furnish M^{r} John Murray the Commiss^{rs} of Taxes with a Copy of the aforegoing Minutes

[99] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Septr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong Jotham Post Jacob De La Montagnie John Bogert Richard Furman John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Crolius Nicholas Carmer Philip J Arcularius Philip Brasher Mangle Minthorn	Assistts

The Committee appointed to examine and Audit the Treasurers Books and Accounts made the following Report which was read and Approved.

We the Subscribers being a Committee Appointed by an Order of Common Council to Examine the Books of the City Treasurer do report. That there has been Borrowed on the Bonds of the Corporation from the Bank of New York for the purpose of Supporting the Poor and other Expences of the City and County Six thousand Pounds, from the Bank of Manhattan towards the payment of their Stock Four thousand Pounds, from the Materials of the Exchange Sold at Auction fifty Pounds 5/4 and from the Sale of Com: Lands and Corporation Revenue Nineteen thousand nine hundred and ninety Pounds 1/11 which with the Ballance of thirteen thousand three hundred and forty seven pounds 17/9¾ due on the last Settlement Amount to forty three thousand three hundred and eighty eight Pounds five shillings & ¾. And there has been paid out by order from Com: Council thirty nine thousand three hundred and ninety five pounds 2/11. which leave a Balance due [100] the City of New York of three thousand nine hundred and Ninety three Pounds 2/1¾ Carried to New Account

Jno B Coles
New York Septemr 25th 1800 Jacob De La Montagnie
Philip Brasher

The Board proceeded to the appointment of a Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City for the ensuing Year and Daniel Phœnix Esqr was appointed accordingly.

Mr Mayor then nominated & appointed John S Delamater to the Office of High-Constable of this City for the ensuing Year.

Mr Mayor signified to the Board that he appointed Bartholomew Skaats and John S Delamater his Deputies as Clerk of the Markets,

the former to act in the Fly Market & Catharine Market and the latter in the Oswego Exchange Market & Hudson Market

Ordered that the Street Commissrs with the Aldn of the 5th & the Assistt of the 7th Wds be a Committee to make the proper arrangements & regulations in the Catharine Market & report the same to the Board.

A Petition of Benjamin Taylor & others praying that the Proprietors, of the Lots fronting Washington Street between Greenwich Street & the River & between Rector Street & Carlisle Street, may be compelled to raise such of their said Lots as are sunken with wholesome Earth to a proper heighth and that Lamps may be provided to light the Street & wharf was read & that part which respects the raising of the Lots was referred to the Street Commissrs & the other part to the Lamp Committee.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Report on the Alms House & Bridewell & the further consideration was postponed 'till next Meeting.

[101] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	£91:15: 4

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of October 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Jotham Post, Selah Strong, Jacob De La Montagnie, John Bogert, Richard Furman, Robert Lenox

Assistts: Philip J Arcularius, Nicholas Carmer, John Nitchie, Mangle Minthorn

The Treasurer laid before the Board his annual Accounts of Receipts and Expenditures of the Monies raised by Tax; which were examined by the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen above named & found Right and agreable to the Statute certified accordingly

A Representation of Edward Dunscomb relative to a Deficiency in quantity of a Lot of the Common Lands by him purchased at Auction; was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

An Ordinance was passed for paving Catharine Street from Broad Way to little Ann Street

[102] The Board resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on a Reform of the System in the government & management of the Alms House and after going through the same by Paragraphs & making several Amendments thereto it was agreed to by the Board.*

RULES

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT of the ALMS-HOUSE

IN THE

CITY OF NEW-YO[R]K.

THE Committee appointed to report a plan for the better government of the Alms-House, have reflected upon the subject, with the attention due to every thing that relates to the employment and support of the poor.

They consider this institution as a detached part of the regular system of Police, which comprehend the relief of the necessitous, the encouragement of industry, and the prevention of crimes.—The design of the institution is to provide for the comfortable maintenance of such paupers as are unable to gain subsistence by labor, and have either a legal settlement in the city, or no other legal provision for their support.

[4] Hence it appears that those who are able to maintain themselves by industry, are not the primary objects of the institution—where such persons are unwilling to work, they cannot be, in any point of view, objects of public charity; and instead of being supported in idleness, they are to be corrected by the vigilance of the police. Where, on the contrary, the poor have strength and inclination to labor for their subsistence, they are entitled to encouragement and reward; and in our country (the price of labor being high and employment plenty) they generally receive it. Instances, however, may occur, where employment may be wanting; and in all such cases, suitable work should be furnished to the applicants, either at home, or in some other public rooms, where they might receive a portion of their pay in good and wholesome food, for themselves and their families.

* Marginal note reads *See the Report printed on the annexed Pamphlet* (This report reprinted from the original pamphlet is inserted here.)—ED.

Excluding, therefore, from this institution, all those classes of the poor, which are able to gain, by their industry, the means of subsistence, still it will necessarily contain persons of many different descriptions; some of them reduced to indigence, by disease and misfortune; others, whose wants are the effects of vice and intemperance; others again, in the last stage of life, bending under the weight of age and infirmities; and others, who in their infancy, have been thrown upon the public charity, for support and education. An institution, comprehending such a variety of characters, must be complicated in its nature, and subject to abuses, which it is difficult to remedy.

The chief ends to be pursued, and of which sight should never be lost—are,

[5] I. *The comfort and welfare of those who are dependent upon the public charity—and*

II. *The due administration of the funds appropriated to the support of the poor, by avoiding all unnecessary expence, and introducing a regular system of management and accounts.*

The first of these general heads, includes all that relates to the classing, diet, cloathing, health and general treatment of the paupers; the education and binding out of the children, and the preservation of decency, sobriety, and cleanliness—the committee suppose that it is of great importance,

1. That the different descriptions of paupers should be separated as far as possible, into different classes; and those whose lives have been uniformly virtuous, should not be confounded with persons of another character.

2. The practice of suffering persons of different sexes to live promiscuously in the same rooms, should, for the sake of decency and propriety, be carefully avoided.

3. The greatest attention should be paid to the cleanliness of the house, and of the persons of the paupers, and of the frequent airing of their rooms and bedding.

4. The diet of the paupers, should be palatable and nutritious, and served to them with regularity and neatness, at stated hours.

[6] 5. Such of the paupers as are capable of any work, should be furnished with it; and should receive a suitable compensation.

6. The sick, should in general, be separated from those who are in health.

7. A due sense of religion should be carefully inculcated, as the greatest comfort under temporal afflictions; and for this purpose, a few pious books might be furnished, divine service performed in the

house as often as might be convenient, and such of the paupers as are capable, encouraged in reading to the others.

8. Spirituous and strong liquors should be absolutely interdicted, unless when given by the advice of a physician.

9. The children of the house should be under the government of careful matrons—they should be uniformly dressed and lodged in separate apartments, according to their different sexes; they should be kept as much as possible from the other paupers, habituated to decency, cleanliness and order, and carefully instructed in reading, writing, and arithmetic. The girls should also be taught to sew and knit.

10. When the children arrive at proper ages, great care should be taken to furnish them with suitable places, that they may be instructed in some useful trade or occupation; and as the Commerce and Navy of the country are becoming of great importance, it would be well if there [7] was a power of binding to the sea-service, when it should be judged most advantageous.

With regard to the second general head, viz. the due administration of the funds appropriated to the support of the poor, œconomy is the essential principle to be adopted, as far as may be consistent with the primary objects of the Institution. It is certain that the maintenance of the Poor in this City is, and for a long time has been, a heavy burthen upon the citizens; perhaps the most weighty in the catalogue of their Taxes. It is also to be expected, from the growing bulk and population of the Town, as well as from extraneous circumstances, that the burthen, in its aggregate, will continue to increase. Hence a constant attention to œconomy and order, in this important branch of the public expenditures, is a manifest and serious duty, which the Corporation owe to themselves and their constituents.

The public have an undoubted right to expect, that as they pay, and must continue to pay this heavy tax, it will be prudently expended and duly accounted for; which can only be effected by pursuing a regular system of management, and keeping fair and clear entries of all the transactions relating to the Alms-House.

In this view it will be necessary,

1. That great attention should be paid to the purchase of provisions, fuel, cloathing, medicines, and other necessaries for the House.

2. That the management and expenditure of these several articles, and particularly of the fuel, should be diligently guarded.

[8] That regular accounts should be kept in the most perfect and systematic manner, of all purchases and expenditures of articles, and of all work done at the house, and that a clear and comprehensive state

of the whole, should be exhibited to the Corporation at certain regular periods and at any other times when they may think proper to require it.

It must be obvious that the several points above stated under both the general heads, are of great importance, and it is far from improbable, that they are at present not so perfectly attended to as might be wished. This is not however mentioned, with a view of reflecting upon any of the persons concerned in the management of the Alms-House. The fault (if it exists) is more in the system than in the men. The doing of business by a board of commissioners, who serve without compensation, is at first view plausible, as it carries the appearance of œconomy, and evidences a disinterested zeal for the public service; but in practice this mode has seldom been successful; very little responsibility attaches to any of the commissioners. The burthen which no one in particular is bound to sustain, is shifted from shoulder to shoulder, till at last it is left wholly unsupported; and as no compensation is to be received, no one thinks himself bound to sacrifice his own private affairs, to an object of general concern, and which there are so many others equally engaged in. The committee, however, are convinced that the success of any plan, must, after all, depend in a great measure, upon the persons who are to execute it. In every thing that relates to the affairs of the poor, a rare union of system, intelligence, talents and industry is requisite; and without such [9] union as a judicious writer* has observed, "Millions may be wasted without bettering their condition." In selecting therefore, the person who may be the chief conductor of the business, many difficulties will occur, and unless such a salary is allowed, as may command abilities, reward industry, and prevent the effect of small temptations, it is in vain to hope for any permanent advantages. Having made these preliminary remarks, the committee proceed to report their plan for the future government of the Alms-House, in which they will be obliged to state as rules several things, which they have already anticipated as being subjects of primary attention.

* Colquhan on the Police of London.

THEIR PLAN IS AS FOLLOWS:

RULES

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ALMS-HOUSE IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

I.

OF THE OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

1. There shall be a Commissioner of the Alms-House and Bridewell, who shall be the superintendant thereof, during the pleasure of the Corporation, and receive an adequate salary to be paid quarterly.

2. The superintendant shall, previous to his entering upon his office, make oath before the Mayor or Recorder, [10] that he will well and faithfully execute his said office, and that he will neither commit nor suffer any wilful waste or embezzlement of any thing appropriated to the use of, or belonging to the Alms-House or Bridewell.

3. There shall be a clerk, and a person to act as purveyor and steward to the Alms-House; also a competent person to act as physician, surgeon, accoucheur and apothecary, who shall have charge of such medicines, medicinal apparatus and instruments, as shall or may, from time to time, be provided, and of the expenditure and use thereof; each of which persons shall have an annual salary, and be appointed by the Corporation.

4. The superintendant shall appoint proper matrons to have the charge of such children as are in the house.

5. The superintendant shall appoint proper persons as cooks, officers, and other domestics of the House, who shall be removeable at his pleasure.

6. The purveyor shall make all purchases for the use of the Alms-House and Bridewell, and shall keep a book containing a particular account thereof, with two separate columns, in one of which shall be carried out the prices of all that he buys for cash, and in the other, of all that he gives orders for upon the clerk, and that his entries from day to day, be examined by the superintendant and clerk—that the money to be used for the house, be lodged, from time to time, in such Bank as the Corporation may direct; and that no money be drawn from thence except by checks signed by the superintendant and countersigned by the clerk, that for the purchase of small articles, money shall be advanced to the purveyor, but [11] whenever the case will admit of it, he shall give an order on the clerk for payment.

7. That the clerk, in a set of books to be appropriated for that

purpose, by way of double entry, shall keep a clear and distinct account of all monies expended for the use of the Alms-House and Bridewell, distinguishing the same, and of all provisions, fuel, medicines and other articles received and made use of, and of all rough materials purchased and of the produce and application of the same, so as to shew what has been purchased, and from whom; what [has] been disposed of, and how and to whom, and how much of each article is on hand. And such books shall be posted up at least once a week

8. The superintendant shall take care that the physician, steward and servants of the house, render to him from time to time, faithful accounts of the several articles which may be under their controul or management, and the same being by him examined, shall be delivered to the clerk.

9. The clerk shall attend every day (Sundays excepted) in an office to be kept in the said house from the hour of nine in the morning to two in the afternoon; and his books shall be kept in the said office, and during those hours shall be subject to the inspection of the superintendant and any members of the Common Council, and any other person whom they may appoint.

10. Once in every three months, to wit, on the first Monday in February, May, August and November, and oftener if required, a correct and fair state of the accounts of the Alms-House, and of the Bridewell, for the last [12] three months, shall be exhibited by the clerk after having been examined and countersigned by the superintendant, and the same shall be examined by a committee of the Corporation, with the proper books and vouchers, and shall then be filed with the clerk of the Corporation.

11. At the several times of exhibiting the said accounts, the superintendant shall also lay before the Corporation a return of the several officers under him, and of the paupers in the Alms-House, during the last three months, shewing their names, ages and places of birth, and state of health or sickness; and the several rooms to which they belong, and such as may have died during that period, at, or been admitted into, or discharged from the Alms-House, which return shall also be filed with the clerk of the Corporation.

II.

OF ADMISSION INTO, AND DISCHARGE FROM THE ALMS-HOUSE.

1. No person shall be admitted into the Alms-House, without a previous examination by the superintendant, to ascertain whether the

applicant is in such a situation, as to require admittance, and has gained a settlement in the city, or has no other legal settlement; if upon such examination it shall appear that the pauper is legally settled elsewhere than in the city, the superintendant shall apply to the magistrates of police, to make or obtain the necessary order, and shall direct the comfortable removal of the pauper to such place of settlement, and his intermediate [13] support, and shall report what he has so done, to the board at his next stated return.

2. Persons having an infectious or contagious disorder, shall not be admitted or kept in the House. The superintendant shall give orders, where necessary, for the care and removal of such persons, being paupers.

3. That the house may not be filled with persons capable of earning a subsistence by their labor, the superintendant shall, upon its appearing to him that any poor persons are in want of employ, and until other provision is made in the premises, furnish them with the same at home, if it can be done without too great a risque; he shall fix a proper compensation for such labor, so as to encourage the persons employed in it, and shall see that a distinct account is kept of every thing relating to this head. He shall also deliver to such poor persons, in part of their pay, tickets, entitling them, at a cheap rate, to portions of soup, or other food from the kitchen, at stated hours, which shall always be delivered to the bearer of such tickets.

4. Where poor families are reduced to such a state, as to require support, the superintendant, after making the necessary enquiries, as to the propriety of their being relieved at the expence of the city, may at his discretion, where the case will admit of it, administer that relief out of the house, in preference to taking such families into it, and for that purpose, may order a supply of food from the kitchen upon proper tickets, and furnish other necessaries until the pleasure of the Board be known in the premises. The like measures may be pursued where paupers apply [14] for admittance into the house, and the place of their legal settlement cannot immediately be ascertained.

5. Such persons, as in the judgment of the superintendant, can maintain themselves, shall be discharged by him from time to time.

III.

RULES RELATING TO CLASSING, AND CONDUCT OF THE PAUPERS IN THE HOUSE.

1. The Paupers shall be classed into different rooms or messes, at the discretion of the superintendant, who shall take care in general,

that persons of different character or sexes shall not reside in the same room, unless as far as it may be necessary for the care of the sick. Where married persons are in the House, they shall, as far as it may be practicable, reside by themselves.

2. All profane and loose conversation, quarrelling and drunkenness, and in general, every thing of a criminal or immoral tendency shall be restrained. If any of the paupers offend in any of those particulars, they shall be punished at the discretion of the superintendant by public admonition, removal from the room or mess to which they belong, wearing a badge of infamy, solitary confinement or removal to the Bridewell, if they continue incorrigible; but in the last case, the order of a magistrate is to be obtained upon his examination of the circumstances.

3. Such of the Paupers as are capable of work, shall be furnished with suitable employment. It shall be [15] in the power of the superintendant to reward the Industrious by small gratuities, to be reported to the board, and to be laid out with their approbation for cloathing or other articles, contributing to the greater comfort of the person deserving it.

4. None of the Paupers shall be permitted to go abroad without licence from the superintendant, who shall give them a printed ticket signed by himself for that purpose, if he thinks proper to grant such licence. If any of the paupers shall be found abroad without such licence, or having the same, shall be found intoxicated, or be guilty of disorderly conduct, or solicit or take alms, the person offending shall be proceeded against as a common vagrant, and it shall be the duty of all peace officers to apprehend such offender.

5th. All paupers permitted to go abroad shall return to the house before sunset, unless especially licenced to the contrary.

6th. To every room there shall be appointed a suitable person as an overseer, removable at the pleasure of the superintendant, who shall take care that no disorders are committed in the same, and shall from time to time report to the superintendant, every offence that may have been committed.

7. At the hour of eight in the evening in the winter and nine in the summer, all fire and candles are to be extinguished in the several apartments, unless where from sickness or other good cause, the superintendant shall otherwise direct.

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IV.

OF THE HOUSE.

1. The bed-rooms and house in general shall be uniformly kept clean and neat. The beds made before the hour of breakfast. The rooms and bedding frequently aired, and no cooking allowed in any of the rooms, unless in cases where, on account of sickness, the superintendant or physician may allow the same.

2. If any of the paupers shall do any injury to the building, or any of its appurtenances, or commit any wilful[*ful*] waste or destruction of fuel, provisions, cloathing, or any other articles entrusted to them or belonging to the house, they shall be punished at the pleasure of the superintendant in any of the ways herein before described, according to the nature of the offence.

3. The several officers and attendants in the house shall have it in their charge not to commit or suffer any waste or destruction, and to report every instance thereof without delay, to the superintendant.

4. No strong liquor shall be admitted without the order of the superintendant, unless prescribed by the physician; and if any of the paupers shall offend in this particular, or shall be seen intoxicated in the house, the offenders shall, in every case, be punished at the superintendant's discretion in any of the ways above prescribed.

5. The superintendant shall be empowered, from time to time, to establish bye laws for the government of [17] the house, and to alter the same, which laws shall continue in force during the pleasure of the corporation.

V.

OF CLOATHING AND DIET FOR THE PAUPERS.

1. Each pauper shall be provided with neat and comfortable clothing, which shall be made as nearly uniform as may be, and shall have a change of linen at least twice a week during the summer, and once a week during the re[si]due of the year.

2. The linen shall be numbered, and shall be appropriated to the respective paupers, and shall be, from time to time, carefully mended; and every appearance of filth and rags shall be avoided.

3. The superintendant shall, from time to time, give directions as to a course of diet for the paupers, and is to be attentive that the same be wholesome, nutritious and palatable. Upon this subject he shall, as soon as may be, furnish a report to the board; and shall from time to time furnish the board with the bill of fare of the paupers. It is

recommended that he pay attention to the hints upon this subject in Count Rumford's Essays, so as to give them a fair trial.

4. The food of the paupers shall be served up in the several apartments, at such stated hours as the superintendant may appoint for each room, and shall be served in a clean and neat manner.

[18] 6. The several paupers shall, at all times, and during their meals in particular, behave themselves in a quiet and orderly manner; and any offences against this article, shall be reported to the superintendant for reprehension or punishment as he may see fit.

6. Care shall be taken that there be a sufficiency of food to supply those from the kitchen who may have tickets for that purpose.

VI.

OF FUEL.

1. The fuel shall be apportioned to the kitchen and several apartments of the house with due œconomy.

2. Every possible measure shall be taken to ascertain the necessary expenditure of fuel for every office and apartment of the house, and to regulate the delivery of it accordingly, so that the expenditure of it may be reduced to a system.

3. Every improvement in the management of fuel, which may be suggested with any probability of success, and for the easiest and cheapest manner of warming the house by stoves, flues or otherwise, shall be fairly tried at the charge of the board; that this great and increasing source of expence, may be kept within as narrow bounds as may be consistent with the health and comfort of the poor. The attention of the superintendant shall, from time to time, be particularly directed to this point, and all necessary experiments shall be made under his direction.

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VII.

OF THE SICK.

1. Such of the sick as can be removed with any safety, shall be placed in a proper apartment or apartments separate from the well.

2. The sick and convalescent shall receive such food and medicines as the physician may prescribe, and have proper attendance, which shall be provided under the direction of the superintendant.

3. In the management of the sick, there shall be the greatest care to remove from them every species of filth, to preserve their rooms sufficiently aired, and in a proper temperature, and to avoid every

thing in the treatment of them which may shock the feelings or injure the health of others.

VIII.

OF THE CHILDREN IN THE HOUSE.

1. Care shall be taken to provide healthy and proper nurses for such of the children as may require them; and where this can be done out of the house, it shall be preferred.

2. Such children as have arrived at a suitable age, shall regularly attend the school, provided for them, and shall be instructed in reading, writing, and arithmetic.

[20] 3. The girls shall be taught plain work and knitting, by a proper person to be provided for that purpose, and shall be employed therein, at least three afternoons in every week.

4. Care shall be taken that the children are kept clean and neat; that they receive their food regularly, and that they behave themselves in a decent and orderly manner. They shall be allowed such sports and pastime, as may contribute to their health, but always in the presence of some discreet and sober person; and shall be kept, as much as possible, from any intermixture with the other paupers.

5. If any of the children distinguish themselves by their good behaviour and capacity, the board will direct their being instructed in the higher kinds of learning, and will take measures that they may profit thereby in their future situations in life.

6. The children shall be kept in separate apartments, according to their different sexes.

7. The schoolmaster, or some proper person, shall twice on each Sunday, read to the children, and such of the adult paupers as may chuse to attend, proper prayers and sermons, with some passages or parts of the bible, or some other religious book.

8. When any of the children arrive at proper ages, they shall be bound out to suitable trades or occupations, and provision shall be made in their indentures for their due maintenance and instruction.

9. If any of those who shall have been so bound out, shall be injured or ill-treated, the superintendant shall con- [21] sider it as his duty to procure them redress. They are to be considered, in every respect, as the children of the public, under his care.

IX.

OF VISITORS.

All decent and well behaved persons, may visit the house in the presence of the superintendant, or of such person as he shall appoint, at such seasonable hours, and under such regulations as he shall prescribe. All the citizens are invited to pay a vigilant attention to the Alms-House and its management; to note every abuse that may take place, and to suggest such improvements as may occur to them, in confidence, that their observations, addressed to the board, will be duly noticed.

X.

ABUSES OF OFFICE.

If the superintendant, purveyor, clerk or physician, or any other of the officers or persons employed under them in the affairs of the house, shall directly or indirectly make or receive any emolument, not allowed them by the board, or shall knowingly suffer any person to practice any fraud, imposition or extortion in any matter relating to the poor, or the supplies of the house, or shall embezzle, or wilfully suffer to be embezzled, any matter or thing belonging to the house, or shall conceal any of the said offences, or shall wilfully neglect their duty, as prescribed [22] them by the board, every person so offending, shall be dismissed from office with disgrace, and shall also be punished as the law may allow.

The Committee beg leave to remark, that according to the existing laws, this plan can only be adopted, as far as may be compatible with the powers of the present Commissioners, who are the overseers of the poor.

It will, therefore, be proper to consider how far it will be necessary to have their approbation, or procure a legislative act upon the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted, &c.

RICHARD HARRISON.
JACOB DE LA MONTAGNIE.

Published by order of the Common Council.
ROBERT BENSON, *Clerk.*

THE END.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	George Furman for Repairs to the public Lamps.....	£18:18: 5
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$500
issd	Jacob Harsen on Acct for Roads.....	$500

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 7th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post
Selah Strong
Jacob De La Montagnie } Esqrs Aldn
John Bogert
Richard Furman

Philip J Arcularius
Nicholas Carmer
John Nitchie } Assists
Mangle Minthorn

Pursuant to the Statutes in such case made & provided the Board met to inspect & examine the Mortgages Minutes & Accounts of the Loan Officers of this City and County; when Mr Bancker, a Grand Son of Evert Bancker Esqr one of the Loan Officers of this City & County, [103] attended and informed the Board that his said Grand father had lately departed this City & had left with him four Books containing the Accounts & Minutes of the Loan Officers, with Instructions to attend & deliver them to this Board, as Cornelius Ray the other Loan Officer who had been absent from this City for some Weeks for the restoration of his Health had not yet returned; which said Books the Board received & deposited in the Clerks Office That with respect to the Books containing the Mortgages, which were not among those delivered as aforesaid, he supposed them to be in the Custody of Mr Ray the other Loan Officer; whereupon the Board determined to postpone the Inspection and examination of the said Minutes and Accounts until Mr Rays return to this City.

The said Evert Bancker having in a Letter to his said Grand Son, which was produced to the Board, instructed him to inform the Mayor that he declined his said Office of Loan Officer of this City & County; The Board proceeded to the Election & appointment of a Loan Officer in the Place & stead of the said Evert Bancker and Anthony L Bleecker was duly elected & appointed accordingly.

[104] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 14th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	John Crolius	Assists
John B Coles		Philip Ten Eyck	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Nicholas Carmer	
Jotham Post		Philip Brasher	
Selah Strong		Mangle Minthorn	

Daniel Phœnix Treasurer or Chamberlain of this City attended &, having taken the Oath prescribed by the Charter, produced his Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board & filed

John S Delameter High Constable also attended & took the Oath prescribed as aforesaid.

Whereas it appears to this Board expedient & necessary that a Court of Special Sessions of the Peace should be held in & for this City & County, in order as well to dispatch the Business which will necessarily remain of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace now holden in & for this City & County, as to deliver the Bridewell of this City of a considerable number of Offenders whose Cases still remain [105] unexamined, & also to hear & determine a variety of Cases of Assault & Battery & other Breaches of the Peace for which the Offenders stand bound to answer This Board do, in pursuance of the Statute in such case made & provided passed the 21st day of March last, direct that a Court of Special Sessions of the Peace with a Grand Jury be held in & for this City & County at the City Hall of this said City on the first Tuesday in November next

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 15th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assists
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	
Jotham Post		Philip J Arcularius	
Jacob De La Montagnie		Mangle Minthorn	
Richard Furman		John Nitchie	
Selah Strong			

Anthony L Bleecker Esqr appointed by this Board on the 6th Instant one of the Loan Officers of this City & County produced to the

Board his Bond for the due execution of his Office which was approved by the Board & filed

[106] Petitions for digging out & paving Church Street between Thomas S^{t} & Barley Street & Thomas Street between Chappel Street & Church Street & Chapel Street between Barley & Catharine Streets were respectively read & referred to the Street Commiss^{rs}

The Committee appointed to report a proper arrangement of the Stalls in Catharine Market was received & recommitted to the same Committee to affix the annual Rent on the Stalls

A Petition of Joseph Newton to permit a Lime House continue all Winter in Robinson Street was read & rejected.

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treas^{r} to pay

iss^{d}	Theop^{s} Beekman Esq^{r} for his Service as Police Justice..	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Jacob De La Montagnie Esq^{r} the like.....	187^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Bernard O'Blenis Clerk for the like.....	$225
iss^{d}	Goodeve & Brown for Candles.....	£3: 10: 6
iss^{d}	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil.....	805^{50}/_{100}$
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	William Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Sam^{l} Jones Jun^{r} for Costs in an Ejectment Suit ag^{t} Isaac Hallenbeck & others & for the Costs on a Writ of Right ag^{t} D & J Provoost & for extra Services rendered.....	£86: 11: 3

Ordered that the S^{t} Commiss^{rs} purchase a Milch Cow for Belle Vue Hospital.

Ordered that the Inspector of Loaf Bread be allowed at the rate of three hundred Dollars per Annum.

[107] The Committee on the Subject of a Pound Reported that the Yard of Thomas White in the Bowery Lane between Hester and Grand Street would be a proper place for a City Pound and that Thomas White would be a suitable Person to be appointed Keeper thereof The Committee also recommend that two Persons should be appointed as Fence Viewers and that John Horn & Henry Brevoort would be suitable Persons to be appointed and that for each time they are employed to examine Fences they ought to be allowed for their Services ten Shill^{gs} each.

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of Octr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De La Montagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
John Bogert		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
Richard Furman		John Crolius	
John B Coles		Philip Brasher	
		Nicholas Carmer	
		Philip Ten Eyck	

William Peterson Cordwainer was admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City.

[108] The Board reconsidered the latter part of the Report of the Committee on the subject of the Stalls in the Fly Market; which was agreed to on the 30th day of December last And thereupon Ordered that Aldn Furman Bogert & Post & Messrs Minthorn & Arcularius were appointed a Committee to adjust the Rate of annual Rents to be paid for all the Stands in the several Markets in this City; except those in the Fly Market which were sold in the Year 1796 & are not already given up.

The Committee, consisting of Aldn Coles & Lenox & Mr Nitchie, made report on the subject of Brooklyn Ferry, and the same Committee, with the addition of Aldn Furman & Bogert, were requested to reconsider the said Report & report it again at the next Meeting.

The Board proceeded to the appointment of an Inspector of Loaf Bread exposed to sale in this City and Richard Ten Eyck was appointed accordingly.

[109] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of October 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Jacob De LaMontagnie	Esqrs Aldn	Mangle Minthorn	Assistts
Jotham Post		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		John Nitchie	
Richard Furman		Philip J Arcularius	
Selah Strong		Philip Ten Eyck	
John B Coles		Nichs Carmer	

Anthony Rutgers one of the Wardens of the Port; was admitted & sworn a Free Man of this City.

A Letter from George Turnbull was read in which he offers to lend this Board the Sum of £700 on their Bond at five per Ct Interest which was accepted by the Board And it was ordered that a Bond be

made out for the said Sum with the Common Seal *be* affixed and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board and that the Treasurer be directed to apply the said Money towards discharging the Debt due from this Board on their Shares in the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that the Market House lately erected between Greenwich Street & the River in the 6th Ward be called & known by the Name of Greenwich Market.

[110] The Street Commissrs to whom was referred the Petition of Sarah Sears & others Report That Washington Street between Rector Street and the new Albany Bason is in a sunken and filthy Situation and therefore recommend the passing an Ordinance for regulating & filling in the said Street so as to carry the Water over the Bulkhead into the River. They also recommend the passing an Ordinance compelling the Proprietors of Lots adjoining the said Street to fill them up with good wholesome Earth to such heighth as to carry the Water into the said Street by the 25th day of December next on penalty of fifty Dollars each Lott which Report was agreed to by the Board and an Ordinance was passed accordingly.

On a report of the St Commissrs Ordinances were passed for filling & paving Church Street from Barley to Thomas Street, Thomas Street (except the side Walks) from Church Street to Chappel Street, and Chappel Street from Barley to Catharine Street

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards Harlem Bridge & Cathn Market	$1500
issd	[111] Thomas Hazard for lighting Lamps	£91:18: 8
issd	Wm Van Waert for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6

[112] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 3d day of Novr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong, Robert Lenox, Jacob De La Montagnie, Richard Furman, John Bogert } Esqrs Aldn { Mangle Minthorn, Philip Ten Eyck, John Crolius, Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Nichs Carmer

Philip Brasher Esqr, Joseph Gilmore Taylor } were respectively admitted & sworn Free Men of this City

The auditing Committee reported that they had examined the Accounts of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell for the last Quarter & found them Right vizt

Those of the Alms House amounts to..... £2754:12: 9

An Estimate of the Commissrs for the ensuing Quarter for the Alms House was read & agreed to vizt $6000

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for paymt accordingly

Ordered that Thomas Dick—Dennis Striker—Robert Quin & James Mills be appointed Measurers of Grain in this City.

Ordered that Jordan Wright 3d Wd Mercht be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 18 vice George Townsend resigned.

[113] On reading a Petition for the purpose. An Ordinance was passed for paving Bayard Street from the Bowery Lane to Mary Street.

The Inspectors of Lots represented to the Board the following Lots in the 6th Ward between Barley & Catharine Streets as being in a sunken & filthy situation and recommended the passing an Ordinance to compel the Proprietors respectively to raise & fill up the said Lots with wholesome Earth by the first day of January next under the penalty of fifty Dollars each Lot vizt Wm L Rose 2 Lots—Effingham Embree 3 Lots—Catharine Cox 5 Lots—John R Livingston 2 Lots—George W Chapman 1 Lot Walter Bowne 4 Lots—Isaac Jones 1 Lot John Sanford 1 Lot. Whereupon an Ordinance was passed by the Board accordingly.

Ordered that the Treasurer or Chamberlain be directed to furnish this Board, on the first Monday in each Month, with a balance Sheet of his Cash Account and for that purpose that he keep a Book in which he shall debit all Sums of Money received & credit the same with all Sums paid by Order of this Board; which Book to be regularly ballanced on the said first Monday in each Month and presented at the then meeting of the Board

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$300.
issd	Peter Hawes Coroner for Inquests.....	$88 75/100
issd	The Justices of the Justices Court.....	$474.
issd	[114] Catharine Culbertson Widow of James Culbertson, late High Constable of this City decd towards relieving her present indigence & in consideration of her Husbands faithful Services	$50.

Purs[t] to the Statute in such case made & provided the Board proceeded to the appoint*ed*[ment] of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Charter Officers and the Places for holding the Elections and the follow[s] Persons & Places in the respective Wards were appointed accordingly. viz[t]

1[st] Ward.....	Nich[s] Evertson	Trinity Church
2[d] do	Sam[l] Boyd	City Hall
3[d] do	Corn[s] J Bogert.....	North Church
4[th] do	George Gosman	St Pauls Church
5[th] do	Wm Fitch	Friends Meet[g] H[s]
6[th] do	Peter Arell	Bridewell
7[th] do	Edw[d] Williams	Methodist Church

[115] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 17[th] day of Nov[r] 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John Bogert
Richard Furman
Jacob De La Montagnie
Jotham Post
John B Coles
Selah Strong
Robert Lenox
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

John Nitchie
John Crolius
Philip J Arcularius
Nich[s] Carmer
Mangle Minthorn
Philip Brasher
} Assist[ts]

William Totten Grocer
Jonathan Allen, Blacksmith
James W Green, Gardener
David Concklin Farmer
} admitted & sworn free Men of this City

A Letter from the Cashier of the Bank of New York on the subject of the Money borrowed by this Board on the credit of this State was read & referred to M[r] Recorder to prepare an Application to the Legislature at their next Meeting to provide for the payment of the said Monies.

Several Letters & Papers of M[r] Howell relative to certain fire Engines by him imported from London & offered to this Board for sale were read And the B[d] on mature consideration determined that it would not be expedient to purchase the said Engines at present

A Petition of W[m] Cummings to be a Measurer of Grain was read & postponed

[116] A Petition of Ab[m] Herring for leave to lead a Drain from his Yard into the Common Sewer under the Fly Market was read & granted under the Inspection of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

The Clerk presented to the Board the Draft of a Grant to Alex^{r} M^{c}Comb of a Privilege to use part of the Creek at Kings Bridge for a Mill was read & ordered to be engrossed

Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed Fire Men viz^{t}

Engine N^{o} 4 John Fisher 3^{d} W^{d} Grocer vice Oliver Cromwell dec^{d}

N^{o} 9 Elijah Warner 2^{d} W^{d} Painter vice John Mercereau dec^{d}

N^{o} 16. Michael Brooks 4th W^{d} Painter vice John Coddington resigned

Pursuant to the Statute relative to the Loan Office, Cornelius Ray Esq^{r} one of the Loan Officers for this City and County laid before the Board the Books of Mortgages Minutes and accounts taken and kept by the Loan Officers of the said City and County and this Board having carefully inspected and examined the said Books Minutes and Accounts Do find that the said Loan Officers have faithfully discharged the trust in them reposed and performed their Duty as by Law is directed and required

The following abstracts of their Accounts were delivered to the Board and filed to wit.

Debr —THE CITY & COUNTY OF NEW YORK IN ACCT WITH THE LOAN OFFICERS.—Credr

		Interest recd and paid			Principal					Interest recd			Principal		
1800.		£	S	D	£	S	D	1799		£	S	D	£	S	D
August 5th	To the Loan Officers Salary detained	80	:—	:—	:— :—	:—	:—	Septr	By Ballance of principal remaining	:— :—	:—	:—	8565	10	:—
do	To Cash paid in full in the Bank of New York for principal & interest recd as Pr Acct & receipt this day. Dolls 2731. 94 Cents	348	5	6	744	10	:—	1800 June 17	By 1 Year interest Due this Day	428	5	6			
		428	5	6	744	10	:—			428	5	6	8565	10	:—
Septemr	To Ballance of principal on Loan	:— :—	:—	:—	7821	:—	:—		New York the Septr 1800						
					£8565	10	:—		Errors Excepted Evert Bancker }	Loan	Offi	cer	s		

Debr —TREASURY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN ACCT WITH THE NEW LOAN OFFICERS—Credr

1800 June 12th	To Loan Officers Salary detained out of the Interest	£	80 :—	:—
do	To Cash paid in the New York Bank in Dollars full 2695 is	£1078	:—	:—
		£1158	:—	:—

1800
May 6 By 1 Year interest due on £19300. at 6 Pr Cent is... £1158 :— :—

New York the Septemr 1800

Errors Excepted
Evert Bancker } Loan Officers

[117] Ordered That Mr Mayor Issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay

Magnus Beekman for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
Hugh Goble for the like	£62: 2: 6
Nicholas Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
William Van Wart for the like	£85: 4: 6
Rinier Skaats for one Quarters Salary and disbursements	£22: 10: —
William Hardenbrook for repairing Lamps	£4: 12: 4
The Same for his Acct in the Fire Engine Department	£172: 10: 11

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 24th Novr 1800

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post, Robt Lenox, Jacob De LaMontagnie, Selah Strong, Richard Furman } Esqrs Aldn

John Nitchie, Philip Brasher, Philip Ten Eyck, Philip J Arcularius, Mangle Minthorn, Nichs Carmer, John Crolius } Assists

The Clerk laid before the Board the Poll Lists of the Elections held in the several Wards in this City of Charter Officers for the ensuing Year which were examined & the following Persons appeared to be duly elected vizt

[118] 1st Ward	John B Coles	Alderman
	John Nitchie	Assistant
	Andrew Morris, Robert Gosman	Assessors
	William G Forbes	Collector
	Philip Fulkerson, David Conklin	Constables
2d Ward	Robert Lenox	Alderman
	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistant
	Joshua Waddington, John Taylor	Assessors
	Cornelius Wynkoop	Collector
	James Green, Joseph Gilmore	Constables
3d Ward	Selah Strong	Alderman
	Philip Brasher	Assistant
	John Bingham, Thomas Tom	Assessors
	Hugh Montgomery	Collector
	Samuel Stockwell, Benjamin McDowll	Constables

4th Ward.....	John Bogert	Alderman
	Nicholas Carmer	Assistant
	William G Miller, Simon Van Antwerp	Assessors
	Benjamin Romaine	Collector
	James Thompson, John Reins	Constables
5th Ward.....	Jotham Post	Alderman
	John P Ritter	Assistant
	William Rhinelander, John Franklin	Assessors
	David Harriott	Collector
	Joseph Dunkley, Samuel Montgomery	Constables
6th Ward.....	Joshua Barker	Alderman
	Henry Verveelen	Assistant
	Thomas Demarest, John T Banta	Assessors
	Anthony Brown	Collector
	Abraham Brevoort, Abraham Manning	Constables
7th Ward.....	Mangle Minthorne	Alderman
	Jacob J Arden	Assistant
	Abraham K Beekman, Benjamin Thurston	Assessors
	Abraham Van Gelder	Collector
	Abraham A Funda, Jonathan Allen	Constables
Harlaem Division	Jacobus Dykeman, John P Waldron	Assessors
	Jacob Meyer	Collector
	Blazer Moore, Gilbert Brown	Constables

Ordered that the several Persons above named be notified to attend on Monday next take the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed.

[119] The Board, on a Reconsideration of the subject, determined to give Mr Howell a further opportunity of exhibiting his Fire Engines, lately imported, for their Inspection & assign Saturday next at 12 O'Clock to attend at the new Albany Bason to see them worked.

A Petition of Wm Snyder for the consent of this Board to assign the Leases, from this Board to him, of Lot No 113 in Chatham Street & Lot No 131 in William Street to John Spies was read & granted.

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men in this City vizt

Engine N° 11 James Norris 5th Wd Cordwainer vice Jacob Van Wagenen Junr resigned

N° 12 Hugh McCormick 5th Wd Tanner vice Andrew Cock resigned

N° 18 Samuel B Embree 3d Wd Mercht & Oliver Cock 5th Wd Mercht vice Alexr Mowat & Alexr Tiebout resigned

N° 25. Peter Pride 4th Wd Carpenter, David Colon 3d Wd Windsor Chair Maker & John DeWitt 5th Wd Chairmaker vice Levi Weeks, Jacob Drake & Ezra Weeks resigned.

The Committee on Brooklyn Ferry reported verbally to the Board that they had consulted Mr Van Mater the present Occupant respecting the Terms on which he would continue to keep the Ferry until the 1st May next. That he signified to the Committee that under the present existing Circumstances he thought he could not afford to pay any [120] Rent for the Ferry during that Period but supposed that the Corporation ought to make him some compensation to indemnify him for the keeping of it during the ensuing Winter. That the Committee had since received Proposals of Mr Stanton (who at present keeps the Ferry from Sands's Wharf to Catharine Slip) to keep the Ferry going 'till the first May next & to pay a Rent of $300—That Mr Van Mater (hearing of Mr Stanton's Offer) then proposed to the Committee that [he] would give more & offered $400.

Whereupon the Sense of the Board was taken Whether the Committee ought to accept of Mr Van Mater's last Offer & it passed in the Negative as follows vizt

For the Affirmative	For the negative
Aldn Post	Mr Recorder
Aldn De laMontagnie	Aldn Strong
Aldn Lenox	Aldn Furman
Mr Minthorn	Aldn Coles
Mr Arcularius	Mr Brasher
Mr Crolius	Mr Nitchie
	Mr Carmer

The Question was then raised & put Whether Mr Stanton ought not to have the Ferry on his paying $400 & it was determined in the Affirmative. Those who on the former Question voted in the Negative—on this voted in the Affirmative & those who on the former Question voted in the Affirmative on this voted in the Negative.

[121] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The Clerks of the Election for Charter Officers $2 each	$14
issd	Peter Parks for cleang & repairg the Methodist Church after the Election held in it	£3:10:—
issd	Benja Haight for Watchmens Caps	£64:—:—
issd	The Printer of the daily Advertizer	$50
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watchmen	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of December 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John B Coles	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Nicholas Carmer	
Jotham Post		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		Henry Verveelen	
Mangle Minthorn		Jacob J Arden	

The Oaths prescribed & directed by Law & the Charter of this City were duly administered to the Aldermen & Assistants above named and [122] *and* to the following Assessors & Constables vizt

	.....	Joshua Waddington
	John Taylor	John Bingham
	William G Miller	Simon Van Antwerp
Assessors	William Rhinelander	Thomas Demarest
	John T Banta	.....
	Benjamin Thurston	Jacobus Dykeman
	John P Waldron	.....
	Philip Fulkerson	David Concklin
	James Green	Joseph Gilmore
	Samuel Stockwell	Benja McDowl
Constables	James Thompson	John Reins
	Joseph Dunkley	Samuel Montgomery
	Abraham Brevoort	Abraham A Fonda
	Jonathan Allen	Blaze Moore

Robert Gosman elected an Assessor for the 1st Ward being neither a Free Man or Freeholder in the Ward And Thomas Tom & John Franklin elected Assessors for the 3d & 5th Wards being of the People called Quakers refused to serve and Abraham Manning Constable in

the 6th Ward being neither Free Man or Freeholder Elections were ordered to be held on Tuesday the 8th Instant of Persons duly qualified in their stead

Gilbert Brown Constable for Harlem Division in the 7th Ward, being intoxicated with Liquor was ordered to attend at the next Meeting to be sworn.

Ordered that Aldn Strong & Messrs Brasher & Ritter be a Standing Committee to examine & audit all Accounts exhibited against this Board for payment

Ordered that Aldn Bogert & Messrs Nitchie & Verveelen be a standing Committee on the Subject of the public Lamps

[123] And Ordered that Aldn Post & Strong & Mr Arden be a standing Committee on all Repairs.

Resolved that Richard Varick Esqr Mayor of the City of New York be & he is hereby authorized & appointed to vote on behalf of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York at the next Election for twelve Directors of the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that William Hooghland of the 4th Wd Carpenter be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 20 vice Elias Hatfield resigned.

Ordered that the Treasr pay into the Manhattan Bank towards the Shares of this Corporation in the said Bank the Sum of $10,000.

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Wednesday Decr 10th 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorn		Jacob J Arden	
Joshua Barker		Henry Verveelen	
		Nicholas Carmer	
		Philip Ten Eyck	

[124] The Poll Lists of the Elections held in the 1st 3d & 5th Wards of Assessors & of a Constable in the 6th Ward were returned & from which it appeared that Edward Nicholl for the 1st & Abraham Bogert for the 5th Wards were duly elected, the Poll List for the 3d Ward having thereon only one Voter named the consideration of it was postponed 'till next Meeting. And from the Poll List of the 6th Ward it appeared that Abraham Manning was duly elected Constable, who on his producing a Deed of his Freehold, took & subscribed the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

Ab[m] K Beekman Assessor for the Bowery Division in the 7[th] Ward also attended & took & subscribed the Oaths of an Assessor.

On a Report of the Engineers of the fire Men on the subject, Ald[n] Strong & Minthorn & M[r] Brasher were appointed a Committee to confer with M[r] Howell as to the Terms of sale of the new fire Engines by him lately imported from London

A Petition of Oliver Kane as Proprietor of the Lot at the Corner of Pearl & State Streets at the Battery proposing an exchange of part of the said Lot for the Ground whereon the Military Store is erected was read & referred to Ald[n] Coles & Bogert & M[r] Nitchie.

Ordered that Andrew Morris be appointed a Fire Man & Fire Warden in the 1[st] Ward vice Tho[s] Ludlow resigned

Ordered that John Hyslop be permitted to make a Vault in front of his House in John Street under the Direction of the Ald[n] & Assist of the W[d]

[125] Ordered that Matthew Daniel be permitted to take up part of Cherry Street to launch his Pilot Boat on the Stocks there; on Condition that he put the Street in good Order again immediately after launching the Vessel.

A Petition of Thomas Storm & Peter Dustan for permission to erect a Lime House & to deposit the Materials during the Winter for building Fire Proof Stores on South Street was read & referred to the Street Commiss[rs] to enquire into & report to the Board.

A Petition of Tho[s] Storm for permission to erect a Lime House & deposit the Materials, in the Street in front of Coenties Slip during the Winter, for a Store he is about to erect on the West side of Coenties Slip was read & the consideration thereof postponed 'till next Meeting.

A Letter from Anthony Dey Esq[r] to M[r] Mayor on the subject of his appointment as Attorney to this Corporation was read & referred to M[r] Recorder.

Ordered that the Managers be permitted to use the G[t] Court Room for the drawing of the Lottery for improving the navigation of Hudson River.

Ordered that Jacob Driskel 5[th] Ward Mason be appointed a fire Man to Engine N[o] 5 vice W[m] Moore resigned

[126] Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treasurer to pay

iss[d]	Ald[n] Coles on Acc[t] towards filling the Water [Lot] of Henry Cuyler dec[d]	£200:—:—
iss[d]	Joseph Webb for repair[s] Lamps	£4:12: 6

issd	David Marshall for supers the public burying Ground...	£34: 8:—
issd	David Waldron for repairs Roads.....	£311:14:—
issd	Thos Hazard for lights Lamps.....	£92: 8: 4
issd	Hugh Gobel for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Jno S Delamater for summons Assessors &c from Harlem	2^{89}/_{100}$

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 15th day of Decr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong, John B Coles, Jotham Post, Mangle Minthorn, Joshua Barker, Robert Lenox, John Bogert } Esqrs Aldn

Jacob J Arden, John Nitchie, Henry Verveelen, Philip Brasher, Nicholas Carmer, Philip Ten Eyck } Assists

The Board determined the Election in the 3d Ward of an Assessor to be void And Ordered that an Election for an Assessor be held at the House of Charles Gardner in the said Ward on Tuesday the 23d Inst.

[127] The Board proceeded to the consideration of Thomas Storm for permission to erect a Lime House & lay the Materials, in the Street in front of Coenties Slip, for a Store he intends to erect on the West side of the said Slip; was read & rejected.

The Board also proceeded to the consideration of the Petition of Thomas Storm and Peter Dustan (which at the last Meeting was referred to the St Commissioners) for Permission to lay the Materials on the Wharf in South Street between Coenties Slip & the Old Slip where they intend to erect fire Proof Stores & the same was granted under the inspection of the Aldn & Assistant of the Ward.

A Petition of John Bancker Relievd from the payment of a fine recovered against him for exercising the Office of Weigh Master without any Appointment from this Board; was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Committee appointed to confer with Mr Howell for the purchase of the fire Engines be authorized to conclude the Bargain with him at any Price not exceeding $4700 including all the Apparatus.

Ordered that the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell take Measures for compelling John Michaels as Assist of Peter Cole

late Keeper of the Bridewell to render an Acct of the public Lamp Oil furnished to individuals to the end that such of them as have not already paid may have an oppertunity of discharging their Accts

[128] Ordered that Wm Day & Matthew West late of Engine No 23 do Duty as fire Men to Engine No 1 until the return of Engine No 23 from Poughkeepsie And that Seba Brinckerhoff late of No 23 be considered as belonging to Engine No 1.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

	£ : s : d
Nichs Carmer for Repairs to the Bridewell	100:16: 1
The same for the like to fire Engine Houses &c	41:18:10
The same for the like at the Park	16: 8:—
The same for the like on Docks &c	52:10:—
The same for the like at the Alms Hs	448:13: 7
The same for the like Pumps & Wells	342:13: 4
The same for the like on City Hall	100:18: 5
The same for the like on Battery	6: 2: 2
The same for the like Brooklyn Ferry	15:18: 4
The same for the like on the Jail	67:13: 1
The same for the like Belle Vue Hospital	37:10:10
The same for the like on Markets	20:14: 8
	1251:17: 4
The same for his Services	104:16:—
	£1356:13: 4
Clerks of Elections	£2: 8:—
David King for a public Dinner on the 25th Novr last	50:—:—
Peter Clark for Flannel Cartridges on the 25th Novr last	$5 50/100

[129] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 22d day of December 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

John Bogert, Selah Strong, Mangle Minthorne, Joshua Barker, Jotham Post } Esqrs Aldn

Philip Brasher, John Nitchie, Nichs Carmer, Henry Verveelen } Assistts

Ordered that the Clerk negociate a purchase, on behalf of this Board, of the eight Lots of Ground belonging to Lewis Pintard & which project into the public burying Ground in the 7th Ward, at the price of one thousand Dollars.

Ordered that Mr Recorder take Measures for compelling the fol-

lowg Persons to pay the ballances due from them respectively with Interest from the time they respectively became due vizt Jonathan Pearssee & Thomas Ash, & Ash Coe & Burdet & Thomas Ash on Acct of the public Docks & Slips. Coe & Burdet for Hoboock Ferry, & Hunt and Furman for the Ferry from Catharine to Sands's Wharf at Brooklyn.

The Clerk presented to the Board the engrossed Grant to Alexander Macomb of a priviledge to use part of the Creek at Kings Bridge for a Mill, which was read & approved by the Board, and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of this Board to be delivered on the Grantee's executing the counterpart

[130] On reading a Certificate of the President of the Fire Department stating that Martin Morrison who was appointed to prosecute for & collect the Fines arising on the Law for preventing & extinguishing Fires in this City had declined that Office; and recommending Nicholas Roome in his stead

Ordered that the said Nicholas Roome be appointed accordingly.

A Petition of the Huckster Women in the Fly Market who vend Vegetables praying that they may be permitted to occupy the Stands, from which they were removed, below Water Street was read & rejected.

A Petition of Henry Shearman relative to certain Ballances due him for digging out Charlotte, Fisher, & Bedlow Streets in the 7th Wd was read & referred to Aldn Bogert

The Committee on the subject of the new Fire Engines imported from London by Thomas Howell reported that they had purchased them for the Sum of four thousand Dollars

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr for
issd paymt of the said Sum on the delivery of the said Engines with all their Apparatus.

Ordered that Aldn Strong & Barker & Mr Nitchie be a Committee to confer with the Engineers as to the disposition of the said Engines, the number of fire Men required to work & manage them And also to enquire respecting the State of the old Engines if any & which of them ought to be laid by or sold.

[131] The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Oliver Kane in relation to the public Ground at the Corner of Pearl Street & State Street Report That in their Opinion the Public Interest will be promoted by permitting the said Oliver Kane to occupy part of the said Ground upon Condition that he give in exchange therefor at the

rate of five feet for four to remain for public Uses along side of and adjoining the Gov[t] House Garden agreable to a Plan now laid before the Board

Dec[r] 22[d] 1800. John B Coles
John Bogert
John Nitchie

Resolved that this Board do concur with the Committee in their said Report: But that by the Law entitled "An Act for securing & improving certain Lands in the City of New York for public Uses & for other purposes therein mentioned" passed the 16[th] March 1790 they are inhibited from selling or disposing of any part of that Ground.

The Board finding that the Ordinance for compelling the filling up & raising certain low & sunken Lots between Barley & Catharine Streets in the 7[th] Ward had not been served on the Proprietors of the Lots in due Season, lengthened the time by which they were to be filled up & raised to the first March next And a new Ordinance for that purpose was passed accordingly.

Ordered that the Market Committee enquire into the expediency of encreasing the number of Butchers Standings in the Hudson Market & report thereon at the next Meeting.

[132] Ordered that the Clerk prepare an Ordinance for subjecting fire Wood sold & delivered from Yards or Places where the same may be stored to Inspection in like manner as if the same was delivered from on Board Vessels and for encreasing the Inspection Fees And also for making it the Duty of the High Constable to inspect the Conduct of the Inspectors & to report all such as are negligent to their Duty to the Mayor to be by him suspended.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay

issd	Goodeve & Brown for Candles	£4: 2: 6
issd	Valentine Swain for Lamp Oil	£85:—:—
issd	Adam D Mount for a lost fire Buck[t]	£0:16:—
issd	Selah Strong for Gun Powder to celebrate 25[th] Nov[r] last	156^{63}/_{100}$
issd	Hugh Gobell for City Watch	£62: 2: 6
issd	Nich[s] Lawrence for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	W[m] Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	The Police Justices towards the Relief of certain indigent Families from S[t] Domingo	$100

[133] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 29th day of Decr 1800.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Jotham Post Selah Strong Joshua Barker Mangle Minthorn John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Jacob Arden John P Ritter Philip Ten Eyck Nicholas Carmer Henry Verveelen	Assistts

Ordered that the Committee on the subject of the Weigh Masters Department consider of & report on the expediency of encreasing the number of Weigh Masters

Ordered that George Lindsay be & he is hereby appointed on behalf of this Bd an Arbitrator, to determine what Sum ought to be paid by this Board to Robt Gilchrist for the Ground of the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt decd which may have been taken for the widening & contin[u]ing of Greenwich Street, in the Place of Gabriel Furman removed from this City.

Mr Recorder presented a Report on the Letter of Anthony Dey Esqr as Attorney of this Board to prosecute for Penalties incurred on the Bye Laws; which was read & the consideration thereof was postponed.

Peter King one of the Inspectors of Fire Wood from his advanced Age being incompetent to perform the Duties of that Office. [134] Ordered that he be displaced.

The Committee on the subject of encreasing the number of Stalls or Butchers Standings in Hudson Market Report That the Committee have examined the situation of the said Market with Respect to the Butchers Stalls and are of Opinion that the Stalls should be moved up to the north end of the Market & that there be added six Stalls in addition to the fourteen now in the Market and regulated as to size agreably to the Fly & Catharine Markets.

Mangle Minthorn
John Bogert
Jotham Post
Jacob J Arden
John Pr Ritter

Which said Report was agreed to by the Board.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Barent

Deklyn for the establishing of a Ferry from his Wharf at Greenwich to the New Jersey Shore Report that they have taken the same into consideration & after mature reflection are of Opinion the public Interest will be promoted by granting the Prayer of the Petition under the same Regulations & Rates of Ferriage as are established at the Paulus Hook Ferry.

John B Coles
John Bogert
Rich^{d} Furman

Ordered that the said Barent Deklyn be permitted to establish & keep the s^{d} Ferry agreably to the said Report for Term of three Years from the 1st day of May next, he paying therefor a Rent of one Dollar per Year During that Term.

[135] The Clerk reported a "Law supplementary to the Law for regulating the sale & cartage of Fire Wood" which was agreed to & passed by the Board & ordered to be published.

Ordered that the Committee on the subject of the Common Lands sold at public Auction report at the next Meeting, such of the Purchasers who have not taken out their Deeds and the Names of such as refuse to accept the Deed & pay the consideration Money

Ald^{n} Bogert one of the Street Commissioners to whom was referred the Application of Henry Shearman delivered in the follow^{g} Report which was ordered to be filed.

"That with respect to the Claim of said Shereman on Martin Morrison it appears not a shilling is due to him as will appear by Shearmans own Signature herewith presented on the Contrary Morrison is in Advance on that Assessment Eight pounds thirteen shillings and three pence from an improper Assessment on Francis Dominick as will appear from a Map of the Ground herewith shewn.

The reason why the Six pounds due from Bedlow Street to Shearman was not paid is owing to the unfortunate Situation of Runyon Martin who at the time the Assessment was made was Ill of a Consumption and has since died leaving a large and distressed family behind, his death took place in October last, his Wife has since Assigned to the Collector the lower part of the house until the Assessment amounting to twenty five pounds fifteen shillings and two pence is paid, the first Rent will be due on the first day of February next.

New York 29th Decm: 1800. John Bogert

[136] On reading a Petition of Joshua Barker wherein he states that he was appointed to collect the Monies assessed in an Assessm^{t}

made in virtue of an Ordinance passed the 4th Decr 1797 for digging out & filling in Broad Way from the House of Scott L Clark to the arched Bridge, Anthony Street from Broad Way to Ann Street, Ann Street from Anthony Street to Catharine Street and Catharine Street from Ann Street to the fresh Water Pond, That he had collected all the Monies on the said Assessment except the Sum of £7:17:3d* assessed on a Lot of Ground on the south side of Anthony Street & owned by Sarah Fee who to the Petitioner['s] knowlege has not been in this City since the making of the said Assessment & also excepting the Sum of £20:8/† being the Ballce due from Henry Shute on the Sum assessed on him for four Lots of Ground at the Corner of Magazine & Ann Street. It was ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer to pay Mr Barker the sd two several Sums to be charged to & remain as a lien on the said Lots respectively to be recovered according to Law.

issd	Nicholas Carmer on Acct	$1000
issd	The Street Commissrs for Streets & Broad St Sewer	$535 73/100
issd	The same for the Bridge over Bensons Creek at Harlem	$674 75/100
issd	The same for Cathn Market	$1621 54/100

[137] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 5th day of Jany 1801

Present/ Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John P Ritter	Assistts
Mangle Minthorn		Jacob J Arden	
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer	
John B Coles		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	
Joshua Barker		John Nitchie	

An Application of a Committee of the Manhattan Company to purchase from this Board the Right to the fresh Water Pond was read And Aldn Bogert Strong & Minthorn were appointed a Committee to confer with the said Committee of the Manhattan Co & report to the Bd

On reading a Report of the Street Commissioners An Ordinance was passed for raising & filling up with wholesome Earth to the Regulation thereof Greenwich Street from the end of the present Pavement to the Bridge at Bestavers Killetie, by the 15th March next under the penalty of $50 for each Lot

* Marginal note reads *Lien on Lot of Sarah Fee £7.17.3d*—Ed.
† Marginal note reads *Lien on Lot of Henry Shute £20.8.0.*—Ed.

Ordered that the Treasurer pay out of the Monies now in the Treasury the ballce due from this Bd for their Shares in the Manhattan Company.

Ordered that Benjamin Watson of the 5th Ward, Cordwainer be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 17 vice Wm Baker resigned

[138] The Committee to whom it was referred to Confer with the Engineers respecting the proper places for depositing the Engines lately imported—Report

That the Committee have had a Meeting with the Engineers and have agreed to recommend the following disposal of the New and Alteration of some of the Old Engines

1st The Large Engine lately imported be placed in the Corner of the yard of the City Hall in a House to be Built for the purpose adjoining the House of Mr Verplank and Numbered three and have twenty four fire Men to it.

2nd The other Engine lately imported be placed in the Jail yard in the house where No 8. now is and that the said Engine be Numbered Eight and have twenty Men.

3d The Engine No 8. be removed to the Furnace at the North River and Numbered one which is to be its permanent Stand and to increase the Company to thirteen Men.

4th The Engine No 3. be removed to the Hospital and Numbered twenty three to replace the one gone to Poughkeepsie No 1. now at that stand being out of Order and useless.

5th The Engine No 21. which is now at the Furnace to be returned to its Original stand near the Baptist Meeting House

Your Committee further report that the Company of the Old Engine No 3. Consisting of ten Men take Charge of the New Engine which is to be placed in the Yard of the City Hall, and that the Company be encreased to twenty four Men—That the Company belonging to Engine No 8. Consisting of thirteen Men take Charge of the New Engine to be placed in the Jail Yard and that they be permitted to encrease their Company to twenty Men. The Committee also report by the particular desire and request of the Engineers that a New Engine house be built at the head of the Common Sewer at Burling Slip near Pearl Street for the use of Engine No 18. the Lease where it now stands will expire the first of May next, with respect to the floating Engine the Committee are of opinion that a Boat be immediately procured for it nearly upon the plan [139] that has been exhibited and that it be placed in one of the most Central Slips on the East River and there be thirty Able bodied Men allotted to it.

If the Board should think proper to adopt these Regulations there will require an Additional Number of fifty one Men, which will encrease the fire Men to a greater Number than the Law allows Your Committee therefore recommend that the Board make application to the Legislature at their next meeting to increase the Number of Firemen to at least Six hundred—All which is respectfully Submitted

New York 5th Janr 1801

Selah Strong.
Joshua Barker
John Nitchie

Which said Report was agreed to by the Board.

Ordered that the same Committee take Order for the building of the Boat mentioned in the said Report

And that the chief Engineer take order for the doing of the several other matters mentioned in the said Report

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay:

issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	85: 4: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps.....	92: 4: 6
issd	Charles Basham for attends the new fire Engines at the late Fire	£2: 8:—
issd	Thomas Kingsley for screws &c to the same Engines....	£2:—:—
issd	Isaac Montanye for Repairs to the same.....	£2:—:—
issd	E: Belden for printg.....	$39

[140] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 12th January 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esquire Mayor
Richard Harison Esquire Recorder

Selah Strong Jotham Post John Bogert Mangle Minthorne Joshua Barker John B Coles	Esqrs Aldermen	Philip Brasher John P. Ritter John Nitchie Henry Vervelen Jacob J Arden Philip Ten Eyck	Assistants

The Board proceeded to take into Consideration an Estimate made by the Treasurer of the Monies required to be raised by Tax for defraying the public Expences of this City and the same was agreed to by the Board as follows Vizt

An Estimate of the Expences of the City and County of New York for the Year 1801.

Alms House for Support by Estimate of the Commissions.....		34,000
Bridewell Do Do		1,000
Streets, Repair and Improvemt.....		5,000
Roads do & Compleating the Bridge at Harleam.....		6,000
Contingent Charges Estimated from the last Acctª.....		17,000
Amount of County Charges.....Drª		63,000
Watch Consisting of 2 Captains 2 Deputys & 70 Men 52 Weeks at 368$^{89}/_{100}$ Pr Week.....	19,162	
Extra Watch	2,000	21,162
Lamps, Numbr 981: lighting & Cleaning.....	2,800	
Superintendt & delivering out the Oil.....	200	
Supplying the above with Oil.....	9,000	
do Goal, Watch Houses, Poor House and Bridewell..	2000	
Repairing Old & Purchasing New Lamps.....	1500	15,500
Wells and Pumps repairing & Supplying new.....		2,000
City Contingent		2,500
Amount of City Charges.....Drª		41,162

New York January 10. 1801.

Danl Phœnix City Tr

[141] Ordered that Mr Recorder prepare a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to Authorize the raising of the Monies estimated accordingly

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board Vizt

The Auditing Committee Report that they have Examined the Annual Account and Vouchers of Richard Varick Esquire the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Market fees from the thirtieth day of December 1799, to the twenty seventh day of December last inclusive, That it appears the Mayor has received from Bartholomew Skaats, Hugh Gobel and John S Delamater Deputy Clerks of the Market (including Ninety three pounds twelve Shillings paid by his Order for Sweeping and Cleansing the Markets, the Sum of two thousand one hundred and eleven pounds four shillings and seven pence— That the Mayor has retained one half the last mentioned Sum to his own use; That he has paid to Bartholomew Skaats one of the Deputy Clerks pursuant to an Order of the Board twenty Pounds, on Account of his house Rent and that he has paid the residue or Ballance to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer.

The Committee further report that they have also examined the Accounts and Vouchers of the Mayor of Monies received and paid by him for Licences, granted to Tavern Keepers from the first day of March last to the fifth day of January instant inclusive. That he has received for one thousand and fifty Licences (exclusive of a Commission of two and an half per Cent Allowed Garret Gilbert Esquire the Commissioner of Excise, for Collecting the Monies) One thousand five hundred and thirty five pounds twelve shillings and six pence—That the Mayor has retained three tenths parts thereof to his own use, That he has paid to Richard Harison Esquire the Recorder, as the Counsel of the Board pursuant to a Resolution for that purpose, two hundred pounds, due to him on the first day of September last—That he has also paid to Robert Bensom Esquire as Clerk of the Common Council on Account Commencing the first day of March last two hundred [142] Pounds, That he has paid to Messrs Furman & Loudon for printing blank Licences &c Nine Pounds twelve shillings, And that he has paid to Daniel Phœnix Esquire the City Treasurer the Ballance being Six hundred sixty five pounds six shillings and nine pence, All which appears from the preceeding Accounts

The Committee further report that on the twenty eighth day of January last the Mayor did pay to Daniel Phœnix the City Treasurer, three hundred and ninety pounds ten shillings being the ballance of Market fees then in his hands; and out of the Tavern Licence fees then in his hands, Seven hundred and five Dollars and forty five Cents to Robert Benson and four pounds fifteen shillings and two pence, being the Ballance in his hands to the said Daniel Phœnix Esquire as City Treasurer—All which is Submitted

New York Jany 12th 1801

Selah Strong
Jno P. Ritter
Philip Brasher
} Auditing Committee.

The following Report was read and Agreed to by the Board Vizt

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Remsen and others Relative to the Erection of Peirs in the East River Beyond South Street Report.

They have taken the Subject of the Referrence into Consideration and after maturely reflecting on the same are of opinion that the immediate erection of Piers Between the White Hall Slip and the fly Market is of the first importance to the Commercial Interest of this City, more especially as the Corporation have Caused the permanent Line within that Space to have been Compleated and thereby have De-

prived the Shipping of the Accomodation they heretofore had at the Old Piers.

Your Committee would therefore Recommend the passing an Ordinance directing the Proprietors of Lots on South Street within the Boundaries above mentioned to Commence the Building of fifteen Piers agreeable to the plan hereafter mentioned by the first day of July next and to Compleat the said Piers by the first day of November 1802, and in Case of Neglect or refusal so to [143] do by any of the Proprietors such Delinquent proprietors shall be deprived of the benefit of a grant, Minors only Excepted.

Your Committee further report that the said Piers should be placed and Erected agreeable to the plan that will accompany this report, that is to say, that the first one shall Continue in a Line with the North side of White Hall Slip and the third one twenty feet South of the present Line of Exchange Slip, and the Second one at equal distances between the first and third, the fourth shall Continue in a Line with the North side of Conties Slip and the Seventh twenty feet below the Southerly side of the Old Slip, and the fifth and sixth shall be at equal distances between the two last mentioned, the Eighth shall Commence twenty feet above the North side of the Old Slip and the Eleventh twenty feet below the Southerly side of the Coffee House Slip, and the ninth and tenth at Equal distances between the two, the twelfth shall Commence twenty feet above the Northerly side of the Coffee house Slip and the fifteenth twenty feet south of a line with the Southerly side of the Fly Market Slip, and the thirteenth and fourteenth at equal distances between the two.

They also further Report that in their Opinion it would be proper for the Corporation to Continue the Slips as Publick Property to the end of the Piers to be Erected.

They further Recommend that the said Piers be one hundred and eighty feet in Lenghth and thirty feet in Breadth, and to be formed by three Blocks or Butments of thirty feet each and three Bridges of the same Size and that they should be Declared in the Grants to be Publick Highways and Subject to the future Ordinances of Corporation as the Public Streets of the City now are

Jan^{y} 8th 1801.

Jn^{o} B. Coles
Rich^{d} Furman
John Bogert.

[144] A Petition of the Neighborhood against the erection of a Fire Engine House in Burling Slip Street on the end of the Sewer next to Pearl Street was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Petition of Thomas Howell praying for the reasons therein mentioned that this Board would grant him an additional Sum of Money towards indemnifying him for his loss on the importation of the new fire Engines from London & lately sold to this Board was read & it was determined that no further Sum ought to be granted

A Petition of Taylor Willet for permission to erect a Lime House in front of his Lot in front Street where he is about to build a new House in place of that lately lost & consumed by fire was read & granted.

Ordered that Aldⁿ Strong Bogert & Mʳ Brasher be a Committee to inquire into the Regulation of Brooklyn Ferry particularly as it relates to the Rates of Ferriage & to report to the Board if any & what alterations may be expedient & necessary

Ordered that 200 Copies of the Report of the Committee on the new Plan for the government of the Alms House [be printed].

Ordered that Matthew West fireman heretofore belonging to Engine Nº 23 be removed to & do Duty with the Company Nº 1 And that Abᵐ Moore 6ᵗʰ Wᵈ Carpenter & David Secor 6ᵗʰ Wᵈ Carpenter be appointed additional firemen to the same Company. And that the followᵍ Persons be also appointed firemen vizᵗ John Westerfield 5ᵗʰ Wᵈ Sailmaker—Henry Brevoort 6ᵗʰ Wᵈ Coach Painter—John Leacraft 6ᵗʰ Wᵈ Cordwainer & Joseph Ogden 6ᵗʰ Wᵈ Cordwainer to the new Engine Nº 8 And Isaac Parker 7ᵗʰ Wᵈ Shipwright vice Thoˢ Drake decᵈ to Nº 22 And George G Burras 1ˢᵗ Wᵈ Shoemaker to Nº 3 vice Robᵗ Gosmen resigned.

issᵈ	[145] On a Representation of the Commissʳˢ of the Alms House Ordered that Mʳ Mayor issue his Warrᵗ on the Treasurer to advance them on Accᵗ to be applied towards the Relief of certain Indigent Families.	$500
	And to pay	
issᵈ	Jacob Harsen for Repairs to Roads.....	£1322:4:1
issᵈ	John Watson for 2 lost fire Buckets.....	$4
issᵈ	Isaac Mead for the like.....	$4

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 19th day of Janʸ 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqʳ Mayor

Robert Lenox, John B Coles, Joshua Barker, Mangle Minthorn, Selah Strong, John Bogert } Esqʳˢ Aldⁿ

Philip Brasher, Henry Verveelen, Nicholas Carmer, John Nitchie, Jacob J Arden, Philip Ten Eyck, John P Ritter } Assistᵗˢ

Three Petitions to the Legislature the one for a Law to raise Monies by Tax for defraying the public Expences in this City & County agreable to the Estimate agreed to by the Board at the last Meeting—the other to provide for the payment of the $45,000 borrowed by this Board on the credit of the [146] State from the Bank of New York, pursᵗ to the Act "To raise a Sum of Money for the use of this State by Tax & for the further support of Government." passed the 3ᵈ April 1799—and the other for a Law to alter the System of Governmᵗ & managemᵗ of the Alms House and Bridewell & to encrease the number of Fire Men in this City; were respectively read & agreed to by the Bᵈ

Ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Petitions & that Mʳ Mayor be requested to subscribe them on behalf of the Board

Ordered that Mʳ Jenkins be permitted to use one of the new fire Engines under the care of the Foreman & Mʳ Howell to draw the Water out of his Ship drifted on the Rocks at Coarlars Hook.

Ordered that Cornelius Voorheis Joseph Devoe & Alexander Richie Inspectors of fire Wood be respectively removed from Office.

Ordered that Matthew Redett be appointed an Inspector of fire Wood at the Hay Scales Hudson River vice Cornˢ Voorheis And that Wᵐ Crum be appointed to the said Office at & to the Eastward of Catharine Slip

A Letter from Thomas Morris Esqʳ to Mʳ Mayor on the subject of Compensation to Major L'Enfant for his Services in planning & rebuilding the City Hall for the accommodation of Congress agreable to the Resolution of this Board on the 12th October 1789. was read & it was determined that on Major L'Enfant's making application himself the same would be taken into consideration.

[147] The Committee on the subject of the Common Lands sold some Years ago made the following Report vizᵗ

That there are a number of Lots sold for which the Purchasors

have not complied with the Terms of sale as will appear by a statement accompanying the same. The Committee are of Opinion that immediate & decisive Measures ought to be taken to bring that Business to final conclusion. They therefore beg leave to recommend to the Board that the Clerk be requested to present the Deeds to the several Purchasors, or now holders, of those Lots so purchased by them And that he report to this Board on the third Monday in february next of all such Holders of Lots as have not complied with the Terms of sale, that the Board may take such Proceedings thereon as to put a speedy determination to the same;

Robt Lenox
Joshua Barker
John Nitchie

A Petition of David Ackerman for a Grant of the Soil under Water in Hudsons River opposite to his Ground in the sixth Ward was read & granted on the like Terms as the other Water Lots in that Neighborhood

Ordered that the Suits brought against Capt Robert Cummins be discontinued on payment of Costs & entering into Bond with Security to indemnify the City agt the maintenance of a Woman Passenger he brought into this City.

Ordered the like on a Suit brought against Capt James Wilbur.

[148] A Petition of James Watson, John Murray Junr & John Jones on the subject of the Plan, reported by the Committee, for running out Piers into the River beyond South Street for the accommodation of Shipping was read

Ordered that the Treasr demand of Thomas Ivers an Acct of the Monies which he has received of Persons for the use of the Water Lots reserved as a Bason at Corlaers Hook & immediate Payment thereof agreable to the Order of the Common Council of the 1st June 1795.

Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed firemen of this City vizt

	Robert Fairchild 4th Wd	Baker
	Hazel Meyers 4th —	Shoemaker
	Samuel Downing 4 Wd	Taylor
	Abraham Lazilier Junr 4th Wd	Blacksmith
Engine No 3	Edward Smith 5th Wd	Hatter
	Thomas McCready 2d Wd	Shoemaker
	Thomas Bennet 3d Wd	Cabt maker
	John F Thurston 7th Wd	Mason

Engine N° 8.	Robert Sneeden 6th Wd..... vice Abraham Brevoort resigned	Cartman
d° N° 15.	John Ackerman 5th Ward..... vice John Smith	Windsor Chr maker

Isaac Macomb from the Engine at State Prison & Jacob Shatzel from N° 25 were respectively removed to Engine N° 3.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Rensselaer Havens for 2 lost fire Buckts.....	$4
issd	Judith Coffin for 1 d°.....	$2
issd	Proprietor of the Daily Advertizer.....	$37 50/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	[149] Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nicholas Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Theophs Beekman Justice of Police.....	$187 50/100
issd	Jacob De La Montagnie the like.....	$187 50/100
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clerk of d°.....	$225
issd	George Furman for Repairs to Lamps.....	£17: 13: 7

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 26th day of Jany 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Robert Lenox Selah Strong Joshua Barker John B Coles John Bogert	Esqrs Alda	Nicholas Carmer Jacob J Arden Henry Verveelen John Nitchie Philip Brasher Philip Ten Eyck John P Ritter	Assistts

A Memorial to the Legislature on the subject of the Delinquency of the Collector of Taxes in the Bowery Division of the 7th Ward & for provision by Law to render the collection of Taxes more secure was read & agreed to by the Board and it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of the Board.

Ordered that Thomas Tom be appointed a fire Man & fire Warden vice Wm Bowne deceased.

[150] A Memorial of Major P. Charles L'Enfant claiming compensation for his Services in planning & directing the Improvements made to the City Hall for the accommodation of the Congress of the United States in the Year 1789 was read and the Board on considering the subject determined to allow Major L'Enfant seven hundred & fifty

Dollars in full discharge of all further Claims against this Board for or on Account of his said Services and that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasurer for payment thereof accordingly

A Petition of several Boatman & Citizens praying that a proper Bason be provided for the accommodation of Hay Boats & the unlading of Hay was read and referred to the Street Commissrs

Richard Ten Eyck Inspector of Loaf Bread exposed to sale in this City, attended & signified to the Board that he declined the Office And thereupon Jonathan Pearsee was nominated & appointed in his stead.

An Ordinance was passed for raising & filling in the Intersections of the several Streets which cross Greenwich Street between the end of the present Pavement & the Bridge at Bastavers Killetie

The Auditing Committee reported on the annual Accts of the Street Commissrs that they examined the same and found them Right which said Acct & Report thereon was read & filed.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	David Marshall for supg the public burying Gd.....	£20: 8:—
issd	Thomas Hazard for lightg Lamps.....	£92: 3:10
issd	Abm O Stansbury for 2 lost fire Buckts.....	$4
issd	Charles Wright for the like.....	$4
issd	Nathl Clark towards a new Well in Crown point St.....	$16 25/100

[151] Ordered that the followg Persons be appointed Fire Men vizt

Engine No° 3	John Segar 4th Ward Innholder—George Arcularius 4th Wd Baker—Christian Brown 2d Wd Bookbinder William Sim 1 Wd Scrivener
d° N° 11	Wm Bogardus 2d Wd Grocer vice Jacob Van Wagenen Junr resigned.
N° 15	Joseph Chadwick 7th Wd Rigger vice Evan Lewis
N° 21	Judson White 5th Wd Hatter vice John Webb resigned

City of New York } At a Common Council held at the Alms House on Monday the 2d day of Febv 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
John B Coles		John Nitchie	
John Bogert		Nichs Carmer	
Joshua Barker		Jacob J Arden	
		Henry Verveelen	
		John P. Ritter	

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House and Bridewell, the Committee of Accts reported that the[y] had examined the Accts of the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell as to the expenditures the last Quarter & found them right vizt

Those of the Alms House amounts to.....	£3941:10: 8
Those of the Bridewell.....to.....	552:15: 3

An Estimate for the ensuing Qr was read & agreed to vizt

for the Alms House.....	£4000:—:—
for the Bridewell.....	£300:—:—
	£4300:—:—

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts for paymt thereof accordingly.

[152] An Application of Willet Seaman one of the Commissrs of the Alms House & Bridewell for an Allowance to him as Treasr of the Board for receiving & paying out the Monies expended for those Institutions was read And it was determined that he be allowed for the two Years last past & in future at the rate of one quarter per Cent for those Services.

A Petition to the Legislature for a new Law to regulate Buildings & to prevent Fires in this City was read & agreed to by the Board & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed thereto & to be subscribed by Mr Mayor on behalf of the Board.

The Draft of the Law prayed for by the said Petition was also read & approved

A Petition of the Firemen for the appointment of a Person as Chief Enginier in the place of the Person now exercising that Office was read & referred to the Aldn of the 6th & the Assistts of the 2d & 4th Wards to enquire into the Facts stated in the said Petition.

Ordered that the Street Commiss^{rs} take Order for causing any Obstructions in the Streets on De Lanceys Ground to be immediately removed And that they enquire & report to the Board whether the Corporation of Trinity Church have ceded to the public the Streets which cross Greenwich Street between Provoost Street & Bastavers Killetie And also that they without delay enquire into the State of Sinks & Privies & report such Measures as may be necessary to prevent their becoming Offensive next Summer

[153] On reading A Petition of Cap^{t} Curtis Blakeman & an Affidavit of Cap^{t} John Palmer praying Relief on Suits commenced against them for not complying with the Law with respect to the landing of Passengers; The Board determine that on their entering into Bonds as by Law is required the Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

A Petition of the Bakers & another of the Citizens relative to the present Law with respect to Loaf Bread was read And it was determined that a change in the System at present would be inexpedient.

A Petition of Albert Amerman to be an Inspector of fire Wood was read & rejected

Ordered that Jesse Rich 6th W^{d} Cartman be appointed a fireman to Engine N^{o} 23 vice Anthony Steenback resigned

Ordered that Rinier Skaats be permitted to employ an Assistant to him in making Fire & other Services in the City Hall.

The following Report was read and agreed to by the Board Viz^{t}

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of the Brooklyn Ferry Report.

That your Committee are of Opinion the Complaints that have been made for some years past for the want of proper Attention and management of the Brooklyn Ferry have principally been owing to the Want of a Sober, discreet man to go in each Boat, to give directions, and to have the Sole management of it your Committee concieve the want of this regulation to be the great cause of all the Contention strife and irregularities that have taken place in crossing the [154] Ferry to remedy which evil your Committee recommend that ten Boats be employed in the Old Ferry from the first of April to the first of January in every year, five of them Large and five small Boats, agreeable to the Sizes made use of at present and from the first day of January to the first day of April eight Boats to be employed four large and four small, that three Men be employed in each Boat one of which to be a Sober discreet Man and well acquainted with the nature of the Current in the River to Steer the Boat and to have the Sole direction and Management thereof, that the ferry Boats be made use of for no

other purpose but to transport Passengers and goods to and from the ferry Stairs.

Your Committee recommend that after Sunset on Week days and the whole of the Sabbath the ferry Master be permitted to receive double ferriage.

With respect to the New Ferry it is recommended that five Boats be employed, three large and two small Boats as at present that they have the same Number of Men to each Boat and receive the same rate of ferriage and be governed by the same regulations as is recommended at the Old ferry.

If the Board should think proper to adopt these Regulations it will Considerably increase the expence of the ferry to meet which expence your Committee recommend a moderate increase of the present rates of ferriage, they have carefully revised the existing Law and recommend the rates annexed to be taken after the first day of May next.

All which is respectfully Submitted by

Selah Strong
Philip Brasher
John Bogert

Ordered that a Petition to the Legislature for a Law to Carry the said Report into effect be prepared that the Common Seal be affixed thereto and that Mr Mayor Subscribe the same on behalf of the Board.

[155] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	John Harison for 1 lost fire Bucket.....	$2

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 11th day of febv 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Selah Strong		Philip Brasher	
John Bogert		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorn		Nicholas Carmer	

Ordered that Isaac Chardavine Inspector of Fire Wood at Coenties Slip be removed from Office; and that John Brogden the other Inspector do duty in his Place 'till another be appointed

On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots An Ordinance was passed for emptying & cleansing the Sinks & Privies on certain Lots in the low Parts of the 3d & 5th Wards by the 25th of March next

An Application of Caspar Semler to dig Earth from the Hill at Enclambergh to fill up a stagnant Pond considered by the Neighborhood unhealthy; was read & granted under the direction of the Road Commissrs

An Application of Wm De Peyster formerly Treasr of the Board of Commissrs of the Alms House for a similar Allowance to that granted to Willet Seaman the present Treasurer was read & postponed.

[156] The Treasurer presented a Letter from Thomas Ivers relative to the Monies he has received from Persons for the use of the Water Lot reserved as a Bason at Corlaers Hook with an Acct thereof amounting to £74:3:6.

Ordered that on Mr Ivers making Oath to the said Acct the Treasurer receive from him one half of the Amount Mr Ivers to retain the other half for his Services. And that the Treasr collect such Monies as may be due from others for the use of the said Bason And further that he take order with the advice of the St Commissrs for letting out the said Bason in future.

Ordered that the Road Commissrs take order to compleat the old Mile Stones on the Post Road from the City Hall to Kings Bridge & set up new Mile Stones, (from the present three mile Stone) up the new Middle Road & across Bensons Creek to Coles's Bridge across Harlem River.

Ordered that the following Persons be appointed fire Men vizt

Engine

Do 17 Adolph Carter 5th Wd Boat builder

Peter Garlock 5th Wd Ship Wright

Eldad Holmes 5th Wd Grocer

The 3 last vice.

James Drake 5th Wd Shopkeeper—John Collet 5th Wd Blockmaker & Charles Smith 5th Wd China & Glass Store keeper.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Peter Hawes, Coroner for Inquests	$65 75/100
issd	Michl Brooks for repairg Lamps	£42: 5: 4
issd	The Justices of the Justices Court for three Mths Service	$456
issd	John Manley for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4
issd	John Rathbone for 4 Do	$8
issd	Henry Post for 1 Do	$2

issd	Wm Moores for 1 Do	$2
issd	George Coldwell 1 Do & 1 repair'd	$2 75/100
issd	Mitchell Rider 1 Do	$2
issd	Jane Nathan 2 Do	$4
issd	Nichs Carmer on Acct	$500

[157] Martin Morrison late Collector of Taxes of the Bowery Division in the 7th Ward having conveyed to this Board a certain Lot of Ground in the said Ward and he also having assigned & transferred to this Board the Term yet to come & unexpired on a Lease from Anna Bancker to him of a certain other Lot or Piece of Ground in the same Ward for the purpose of paying certain Sums of Money due from & which ought to have been paid by him into the Treasury of this City as Collector of Taxes as aforesaid.

Ordered that the Treasurer of this City do cause the said two Lots of Ground to be sold at public Auction to the highest Bidder on the following Terms vizt Ten per Cent of the purchase Money to be paid at the time of Sale—One third part of the Residue on the first day of May next when possession is to be given—One other third part thereof in six Months thereafter with Interest and the Residue in one Year from the said first day of May next with Interest

Notes with approved Indorsers may be 'taken in payment.

[158] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday febr 16th 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Esqrs Aldn: Selah Strong, John Bogert, Mangle Minthorn, Joshùa Barker, Robert Lenox

Assistts: John Nitchie, Nichs Carmer, Jacob J Arden, Philip Brasher, John P Ritter, Henry Verveelen

On reading a Letter from Elias Kane to the Clerk covering a Letter from Major L'Enfant to Mr Kane, in which the Major signifies his unwillingness to accept the Allowance made him by this Board on the 26th Ulto for his Services in planning & directing the Improvements to the City Hall for the accommodation of Congress in 1789 & requesting this Board to reconsider the subject & make him a greater Allowance, the Board determined not to reconsider the subject

Ordered the Tax Book of the Bowery Division in the 7th Ward which was delivered up by Martin Morrison the late Collector be de-

livered to the present Collector to collect such Monies thereon as remain uncollected.

On reading a Petition of John Griffith

Ordered that he be permitted to make a Vault to his new House to be built at the Corner of Maiden Lane & William Street & to erect a Line in Maiden Lane under the usual Restrictions.

[159] Ordered that the follow^{g} Persons be appointed Fire Men to Engine N^{o} 25 viz^{t}

John Stilwell 5th Ward Carpenter Jacob Acker 6th Ward Cartman Barry Collis 5 Ward Cab^{t} Maker Vice George Minuse, Sylvanus Pine & Jacob Shatzel resigned.

And the follow^{g} to Engine N^{o} 12 viz^{t} Henry Aubeck 5th Ward Tanner & Currier vice Allen Clapp resigned and Genet Martinot 5th Ward Umbrellamaker vice Thomas Tom appointed Fire Warden

The Committee of Accounts reported that they had examined the yearly Account of Thomas Hazard Superintendant of the Lamp Department & found it right. that he has received for Oil Casks and lighting private Lamps two hundred & twenty seven Pounds three Shillings & that he has paid out for carting Oil seventeen Pounds eighteen Shillings, and retained to his own use for his Salary ninety five Pounds and that a ballance of One hundred & fourteen Pounds five Shill^{gs} remains due to the Corporation.

Ordered that M^{r} Hazard do immediately pay the said ball^{ce} into the City Treasury

Ordered that M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{ts} on the Treasurer to pay

iss^{d}	Henry Verveelen for Copy of Law relative to Collectors of Taxes	$1
iss^{d}	Rinier Skaats for 1 Q^{r} Salary & Disbursem^{ts}	£23:11:—
iss^{d}	Nich^{s} Lawrence for the City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	W^{m} Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
iss^{d}	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
iss^{d}	George Stanton for 1 lost fire Bucket	$2
iss^{d}	W^{m} R Thurston for 1 d^{o}	$2
iss^{d}	Abigail Roorbach for 2 d^{o}	$4
iss^{d}	Peter Stuyvesant Jun^{r} 1 d^{o}	$2
iss^{d}	Garrit H Van Wagenen 2 d^{o}	$4

[160] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday Feb^{y} 23^{d} 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esq^{r} Mayor

Selah Strong Joshua Barker Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Robert Lenox	Esq^{rs} Ald^{n}	Philip Brasher Henry Verveelen John Nitchie Jacob J Arden Nich^{s} Carmer John P Ritter	Assist^{ts}

A Petition of Garrit Fountain & Richard Farrel for Relief on certain Suits brought against them for contravening the Law or Ordinance for regulating the Office of Weighmaster was read & rejected.

Ordered that the Treasurer keep his Acc^{t} with & make his Deposits of all Monies which shall come to his hands & belonging to or subject to the direction of this Board in the Bank of New York.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Henry Street praying that the said Street between Charlotte & Rutgers may be paved was read & referred to the S^{t} Commiss^{rs}

Petitions of James Thomson, on behalf of Robert Johnson, of Ab^{m} K Brasher & of ... M^{c}Fall Masters of Vessels praying Relief on Suits brought against them for landing Passengers contrary to Law were respectively read.

Ordered that on their entering into Bond with security as the Law directs the said Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

[161] On reading a Petition of W^{m} Earle confined in Goal on a Suit brought against him by the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell for the expences of supporting his Bastard Child in the Alms House Ordered that the Commissioners be authorized to discontinue the said Suit on payment of Costs & on the said William Earle's paying or securing to be paid the Demand of the said Commissioners against him at the rate of ten Shillings in the Pound, and giving security to indemnify the Public against any future expence in supporting the said Bastard Child

Ordered that the Street Commissioners view the State of Front Street in order that a regulation may be made for opening the communication in that Street from Pecks Slip to Dover Street & that they report to the Board at the next Meeting the Measures necessary to be taken thereon.

A Memorial of Benjamin Romaine, on behalf of D^{r} Nicholas Romaine who is absent, relative to the situation of his Land bounded

on the River at Corlaers Hook; was read & referred to the Treasurer & Commissrs

Ordered that the follows Persons be appointed fire Men of this City.

Engine No 4 Joseph Skelton 3d Wd Accomptant vice George Keeler removed to No 8.

No 15 Wm Gardiner 7th Wd Painter & Glazier vice John Brown.

Ordered that the Treasr with the St Commissrs take order for letting the small House at the Corner of Pearl St & State Street

[162] Ordered that the Aldn of the 2d 3d 4th & 6th Wards & the Assistt of the 1st Ward be a Committee to take into consideration the subject of carrying out Piers into the River beyond South Street & report to the Board the most proper manner of effecting the Measure

A Petition of Abner Curtis Butcher for a Stall & Standing in the Fly Market was read & granted.

Ordered that the Treasr pay out of any Monies in his Hands the amount of the State Tax deducting the Collection fees to be levied & collected in this City the present Year into the State Treasury.

On a Report of the Clerk relative to the Common Lands sold at Auction. Ordered that the Street Commissioners call on such of the Purchasors who have not taken their Deeds & tender to them their respective Deeds & preserve Evidence of the cases of refusal to accept And that they be authorized to give such further times of payment not exceeding one Year to such as appear disposed to keep the Land by them purchased & are willing to accept their Deeds as may be deemed expedient—The Deeds to be executed as an Escrow to be retained until the purchase Money shall be paid.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrt on the Treasr to pay.

issd Elizth Glover for 2 lost fire Buckets..... $4

[163] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Tuesday the 3d day of March 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Joshua Barker Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher John Nitchie Jacob J Arden Nichs Carmer Henry Verveelen	Assistts

Mr Mayor laid before the Board the follows Application which he had received in a Letter to him from Jonathan Pearssee Junr

" To the honorable the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened. The Subscribers being

appointed a Committee by a Meeting of respectable Citizens to make arrangements for celebrating the inauguration of a President of the United States on the fourth of March Instant, beg leave to represent that they have applied to the Governors of several Churches and obtained leave for the ringing of their Bells on the above Occasion. That the Bells of the Episcopalian and Dutch Churches may be obtained if permission shall be granted by this honorable Body: The Committee therefore wish the Corporation would authorize an Application for the above Purpose.

New York March 2d 1801

(In behalf of the General Committee)

Wm Boyd
Mat: L Davis
James Warner
Robt Swartwout
James Manning

[164] Whereupon it was determined by the Bd And Resolved that this Board have no objection to the ringing of the Bells of the Churches to Morrow on the inauguration of a President of the United States provided Permission be obtained from the Governors of the several Churches.

Ordered that Frederick Mabie be appointed a Measurer of Grain

The following Persons were reappointed Inspectors of Fire Wood at the following Places in this City vizt

	Matthew Redette	At Rhinelanders Wharf
	Thomas Eagles	from Vesey Street to Rhinelanders Wharf
Hudson River	Henry Crum & Martin Crygier	At the Corporation Wharf
	Magnus Garrit	At the Albany Bason
	John Brogden	At White Hall
	William Allen & John Van Denbergh	At Coenties Slip & Albany Piers
East River	Thomas Johnston	At Burling's Slip & Beekman's Slip
	James Black &	At Pecks Slip
	Henry Beekman & Saml Cunningham	At James Slip & at Catharine Slip
	William Crum	Eastwd of Cathn Slip

Ordered that all the other Persons heretofore appointed Inspectors of Fire Wood be displaced & removed from Office.

[165] Ordered that the Aldermen of the 4th, 6th, & 7th Wards & the Assistants of the 3d, & 7th Wards be a Committee to enquire into the present system of repairing the public Roads & to report to the Board such improvement therein as may tend to greater œconomy in the expence & improve the state & condition of the Roads.

The Street Commissioners report that Philip Ruckle hath compleated the filling & raising Thomas, Chapel, Church & Cath[n] Street agreable to his contract & recommend that his Bond be cancelled. Ordered that his said Bond be cancelled & deliver'd up to him accordingly.

The S[t] Commissioners also report that in order to prevent further Injury to the Garden of Andrew Morris by leading the Water from the Bowery Road through it by a common Ditch, as there is no other way for the Water to pass off except by cutting a Ditch for a great distance through the land of Peter Stuyvezandt, the least expensive method will be to pave a Gutter of about three feet wide for a certain Distance. Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] take order for doing it in that way accordingly.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor pay M[r] Recorder, out of the Monies in his Hands from Tavern Licences, one hundred Pounds for six Months as Counsel to this Corporation agreable to the Allowance agreed to be made him by this Board.

[166] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 11[th] day of March 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor

John Bogert Mangle Minthorn Jotham Post Selah Strong Robert Lenox Joshua Barker	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Philip Brasher John Nitchie John P Ritter Nich[s] Carmer Jacob J Arden	Assist[ts]

M[r] Mayor communicated to the Board a Letter he had received from his Excellency Gov[r] Jay informing him that on removing from this City to Albany with his family four of the Chairs which were sent from the City Hall to the Gov[t] House were taken with his Furniture to Albany: His Excellency requested the direction of the Board as to the future disposition of those Chairs whether they should be returned to this City or left in Albany on his removal from thence.

Whereupon the B[d] determined that M[r] Mayor be requested to inform his Excellency that it is their wish that he retain the use of the said Chairs until the Common Council shall otherwise direct

On a reconsideration of the subject the Board rescind the order of the 23[d] Inst relative to the letting of the small House at the Corner of State & Pearl Streets.

[167] A Representation & proposal of the Inspectors of the State

Prison relative to the confinement of Persons, in the State Prison, who are convicted of petty Larceny Offences & recommending to the Corporation the erection of a Building in the Yard of the State Prison with Cells for the confinement of such Characters; was read And on consideration of the subject the Board determined the Measure inexpedient at present

An Application of James & Ebenezer Watson on behalf of the United States requesting that this Board would grant to the United States their Right to the Soil from high to low Water Mark in the River at the Wallaboght on Nassau Island, in front of certain Land lately purchased of John Jackson for the establishm[t] of a Navy Yard for the United States was read & agreed to by the Board and the D[r] of a Grant was ordered to be prepared accordingly.

A Request of Robert Bowne Thomas Eddy & Isaac Kibbe for an Order to compel the Proprietors of the Water Lots between their Lots & the Coffee House Slip to compleat the Wharf & filling of their Lots on South Street was read & referred to the Street Commiss[rs] to report on at the next meeting of the Board.

Petitions of Joseph Wheldon & Alex[r] Don for Relief ag[t] Suits brought for landing Passengers contrary to Law were read

Ordered that on their entering into Bonds as the Law directs the Suits be discontinued on payment of Costs.

[168] Estimates & Assessments for the filling & regulating of Beach, Hubert, Vestry, Laight, Desbrosses, Brannon & Budd Streets in the sixth Ward were respectively read & ratified by the Board And Tunis Riker was appointed to collect & receive the Monies on the said Assessments And Henry Hulsart, Ab[m] Stagg & Tho[s] Stagg were appointed to execute the Work of Beach, Vestry, Laight, Desbrosses & Brannon Streets and Duncan Campbell of Hubert, & Budd Streets.

The Street Commiss[rs] represent to the Board that by the present Regulation of Greenwich Street the Causeway opposite the Meadow Ground of M[r] Anthony Lispenard will become in a dangerous Situation & in their Opinion calls for the interference of the Corporation and as it would be a peculiar hardship on M[r] Lispenard to be at the Expence of filling in the Street as he derives no advantage of consequence from it they recommend the filling in the West side thereof at the Expence of the Corporation.

Ordered that the S[t] Commissioners take order for filling in the said Street accordingly.

Ordered that the Street Commiss[rs] enquire into the State of the

Corporation property along the Hudson to the end that those who use it may be called on for compensation.

Ordered that an Election be held in the third Ward at the House of Charles Gardner Innholder on Tuesday the 24th Instant of an Assessor in the stead of Thomas Tom who being of the People called Quakers refused to serve.

[169] Thomas Eddy one of the Inspectors at the State Prison attended the Board & informed that several of the Prisoners had lately broken out & escaped & suggested the necessity of a small Guard to walk round the Wall of the Prison Yard during the night Whereupon the Board directed that eight additional Watchmen equipped with fire Arms be employed & stationed at the Statè Prison at the expence of the Inspectors for the purpose aforesaid.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct towards the new Mud Drudge for cleans the Slips	$1000
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for lights public Lamps	£94: 7: 10
issd	Hannah Jenkins for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4
issd	John S Hunn for 1 Do	$2

[170] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday March 16th 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie
Mangle Minthorne		Philip Brasher
John Bogert		John P Ritter
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck
Joshua Barker		Jacob J Arden
Jotham Post		Nichs Carmer

It being signified to the Board that George Lindsay on the part of this Bd and Wm Rhinelander on the part of the Heirs of Nicholas Roosevelt decd as Arbitrators could not agree on the amount of the recompence which ought to be made to the said Heirs for the Land taken to improve Greenwich Street, & lying on the West side thereof and that they wished the Parties to choose an Umpire. Whereupon the Board nominated Joshua Sands Esqr to which Mr Robt Gilchrist who was present assented.

A Petition of Seth Seely praying Relief on a Suit brought against him for not complying with the Law relative [to] the landing of Passengers was read Ordered that on his entering into Bond as the Law requires the Suit be discontinued on payment of Costs.

A Petition of John Willis Rich[d] Farrel & Garrit Fountain complaining of misconduct in Daniel Kemper as a public Weighmaster was read & referred to Ald[n] Strong & Lenox & M[r] Nitchie.

[171] A Memorial of several Persons complaining of the great Interruption to the Trade in that Quarter by the filling of Coenties Slip with Sea Vessels to the exclusion of Coasters & River Vessels. was read & referred & to Ald[n] Strong & Lenox & M[r] Nitchie

On reading a Petition of Effingham Embree & others Proprietors of Lots in the neighborhood praying that this B[d] would take legal Measures for obtaining ten feet of the Lot of John Quackenbos to encrease the Breadth of Leonard Street to 50 feet, the present breadth of the said Street from Hudson Street, to the said Lot of the said John Quackenbos, and on a suggestion by the S[t] Commiss[rs] that only twenty five feet or one half of the breadth of 50 feet of the said Street from Hudson Street to the said Lot of John Quackkenbos had been conveyed or ceded to this B[d] as a public Street; the B[d] determined that whenever the Proprie[tor] of the Land should convey or cede the other half of the said Street as they ought to do this Board would take the necessary legal Measures.

Ordered that Ab[m] Moore of the 4[th] W[d] Cartman be appointed a Fireman to Engine N° 14 vice Jaspar Stanton resigned.

On the Application of Ald[n] Barker Ordered that the neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well in such part of Mott Street and another in such part of Greenwich or Harison Street as the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward shall direct

[172] Ordered that Jacob Leroy be permitted to make an Area & Vault in Liberty Street in front of his new House; under the direction of the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward.

An Acc[t] of Anthony Dey Esq[r] Att[y] for this B[d] to prosecute Suits brought in the Justices Court on the Bye Laws or Ordinances of this Board and on the State Law for regulating Inns or Taverns, on which there appeared a Ball[ce] of $44 $^{5}/_{100}$ due to this Board, was audited by the Committee of Acc[ts] & agreed to by the B[d]

Ordered that M[r] Dey pay the said Ball[ce] to the City Treasurer

Resolved that Daniel Phœnix Treasurer be & he is hereby authorized & directed to receive of the Treasurer of the State of New York all such Monies as may be due to this City & County in purs[u]ance

of the Act of the Legislature entitled "An Act for the encouragement of Schools" passed the 9th April 1795.

Ordered that the Treasurer report to the Board at the next Meeting a Statement of the amount of all the Monies which he has received of the State Treasurer & from the Taxes under the said Act for the encouragement of Schools Also the Amount of such of the said Monies as have from time to time been distributed, among the Charity Schools in this City by order of this Board.

[173] On Motion of Mr Brasher.

Resolved that in future no Member of this Board be appointed to any Office under the authority of this Board.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Goodeve & Brown for a Box Candles.....	£2:18: 6
issd	Thos Mitchell Assistt to Rinier Skaats for 1 Month's Services	$15
issd	Wm Humphryes for 1 lost fire Bucket.....	$2
issd	Willet Seaman for 2 Do.....	$4
issd	Hugh Gobel for the City Watch.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like.....	£62: 2: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like.....	£85: 4: 6
issd	Thos Hazard for the Constables Marshalls & Watchmen in conveying Vagrants &c to Bridewell.....	£42: 5:—

[174] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday March 23d 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox	Esqrs Alds	John Nitchie
Selah Strong		Philip Ten Eyck
John Bogert		Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorne		John P Ritter
Jotham Post		Jacob J Arden
Joshua Barker		

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of John Oothout and others respecting the lying of Vessels in Coenties Slip Report

That the Memorialists state that some time past by Consent of the Corporation, they Erected at their own expence a Middle Pier in Coenties Slip as they Supposed for the Accommodation of North River Vessels only, but of late Sea Vessels are permitted to lie in the

Slip in the Winter Season and particularly from the 25th of December to the 25th of March to the exclusion of North River Vessels that would otherwise be laid up in that Slip for the Winter, that the penalty against large Vessels coming into the Slips is too small, as the owners had rather pay the penalty than remove out of the Slips that the Dock Master or persons who hire the public Slips permit & encourage Vessels for their own profit to come into the Slips which the Law does not authorise. The Memorialists further pray that the Corporation would take such measures as to secure to the North River Vessels a preference in [175] that Slip and to allow them such other privileges as shall be proper and necessary to carry on the trade to that part of the Country.

Although the Corporation did give permission to Certain persons residing in the Neighbourhood of Coenties Slip, at their own request to erect a Pier in that Slip for the Accommodation of Vessels yet the Committee are of opinion it was never intended to give any exclusive privilege to the North River Vessels to use that Pier. It appears that the Petitioners have not well understood the Law to regulate the Public Wharves and Slips as that Law forbids all Sea Vessels of any Size, and Coasters above 80 Tons to Come into the Slips at any time of the year unless by Special permission in writing from a Magistrate

The Committee believe the existing Law would be fully adequate to the relief of the Petitioners with some little alterations Vizt to increase the penalty to Ten Dollars upon every Sea Vessel of any Size or any Coaster above 80 Tons that shall come into any of the Slips without a written permission from a Magistrate, the Dock Master has no Authority to permit any Vessel to come into the Slips which the Law forbids but the Master of such Vessels are liable to be fined notwithstanding his permission.

The Committee are of opinion that it would not be proper to grant to the North River Vessels any exclusive privileges in Coenties Slip as it would give just cause of offence to other parts of this State and to the Neighbouring States. all which is Submitted by.

March 23d 1801

Selah Strong
Rob Lenox
John Nitchie

Aldn Strong & Lenox & Mr Nitchie to whom was referred the Petition of John Willis Richard Harnet & Garrit Fountain pray[ing] that the Weighmasters be prohibited from purchasing any Articles which they are permitted to weigh, report that in their Opinion the

Prayer of the Petitioners ought not to be granted; which was agreed to by the Board.

[176] Ordered that the Neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well at such place at or near the Corner of Hester & Catharine Streets as the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward shall direct.

Resolved that the Treasurer exhibit to this Board next Meeting an Acc^{t} of the Monies in his hands arising from the Estates of Intestates on which by Law he is directed ex officio to administer designating the Sum rec^{d} from each Estate And that in his future monthly Acc^{ts} to be reported to this Board he distinguish those Monies & the amount of School Money from other Monies arising from Revenue & Tax.

On a representation of the S^{t} Commiss^{rs} that in order to facilitate the working of the Mud Machine & Scow in cleansing & removing the Filth & Mud from the public Slips before the setting in of the hot Weather, and Ordinance will be necessary to prevent the lying of Vessels in such Slip as the said Machine & Scow shall be employed in without leave of the Commiss^{rs}

An Ordinance to prevent the lying of Vessels in such Slip as the Mud Machine & Scow may be employed in was agreed to by the Board and passed & ordered to be published accordingly.

Ordered that the S^{t} Commissioners report a Plan & Estimate of the Expence for carrying out a Pier on the West side of Pecks Slip to the permanent Line.

Ordered that the Ald^{n} of the 2^{d} & 3^{d} & the Assist^{t} of the 3^{d} Wards be a Committee to enquire into the expediency of granting a certain number of Butchers Standings in the Fish Market & Catharine Market.

[177] On a reconsideration of an Allowance to Anthony Dey as Prosecutor on behalf of this B^{d} The Board determined that in future M^{r} Dey as their Attorney be allowed one half of the Penalties recovered on all Suits brought in the Justices Court under the Corporation Bye Laws or Ordinances And they also determine that under the Law for the due observance of the Sabbath one half of the Penalties recovered be paid to the Informer

Resolved that the old Ferry from the Fly Market Slip to the Ferry Stairs at Brooklyn As also the new Ferry from Catharine Slip to Sands Wharf at Brooklyn be let for one Year from the first day of May next on the following Conditions viz^{t} At the old Ferry there must be four large & three small Boats of the usual Size & Form & at the new Ferry three large & two small Boats of like Size & Form—Each Boat

to be worked and managed by two sufficient Oarsmen & one competent Helmsman—The Lessees must be subject to the Regulations established by the Act of the Legislature & such Rules & orders as shall from time to time be made & established by the Common Council touching the said Ferries Written Proposals sealed to be received at the Clerks Office until 12 O'Clock on Saturday the 4th April next—The Person making the best Offer to be entitled to a Lease (provided the Common Council shall adjudge him competent to the due management of the Business) on his entering in Bond with approved Surety for his good Conduct & payment of the Rent quarterly

[178] Ordered that for the four ensuing Sundays two of the Constables or Marshalls be employed to attend at the Battery, the Bowling Green & the Park respectively to prevent the Boys or disorderly Persons play[ing] in those Places & injuring the Trees or Grass and that each Constable or Marshall be allowed for this Service one Dollar for each Sunday

Ordered that the Butchers in the several Markets provide themselves with Scales & Weights at their respective Stalls; and that the Deputy Clerks of the Markets see to the observance of this Order & report all such as shall neglect or refuse to comply therewith.

On a Representation of Waters Furman, who was appointed by this Board to collect & receive the Monies assessed for the paving of Harman Street from Charlotte Street to East Rutger's Street purst to an Ordinance of this Board, that among other Lots four vacant Lots were assessed to Roger Alden as Proprietor at the Sum of £34:15:4 and that he has not been able to find the said Roger or any other Person claiming the said Lots to demand the said Money of.

issd Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay Waters Furman the said Monies so assessed on the said Lots to be charged to & remain as a Lien* on the said Lots purst to the Statute in such Case made and provided.

And to pay

issd	Willet Seaman Junr for one lost fire Bucket.....	$2
issd	James Woods for repairs Lamps.....	£28:11: 3
issd	And Nichs Carmer on Acct.....	$1000

* Marginal note reads *Lien on Lotts of Roger Alden £34: 15: 4.*—ED.

[179] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Wednesday the 25th day of March 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong Jotham Post Joshua Barker John Bogert Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie Nichs Carmer Jacob J Arden John P Ritter Philip Brasher Henry Verveelen	Assists

On Motion the Board proceeded to reconsider the Resolution of last Meeting for letting Brooklyn Ferries and Resolved that the said Ferries be let for the Term of three Years from the first day of May next That the number of large Boats at the New Ferry be reduced to two instead of three And that the number of Men to each Boat at both Ferries be reduced to two.

Resolved that all such Lots of the Common Lands which were sold at Public Auction as the Purchasors thereof have hitherto neglected or refused to accept their Deeds & pay the consideration Money be again put up & sold to the highest Bidder at the City Hall on Tuesday the 14th day of April next at 12 OClock under the direction of the Street Commissrs & a Committee of this Board.

[180] The Committee for the purpose appointed made the following Report on the Application of the Manhattan Company relative to the Colick or Fresh Water Pond; which was agreed to by the Board vizt

"That they have had a Meeting with a Committee of that Company—that the said Committee have caused a Survey to be made of the Colick & the Ground around it & have marked out the Lines of the Ground that will be wanting for the use of the said Company as will appear by the Survey accompanying this Report Your Committee are of Opinion that it would be inexpedient for this Board to take any Measures on the subject; but leave it to the operation of Law"

John Bogert
Selah Strong

Ordered that the St Commissrs agree with a competent Person to take the Charge of regulating the public Clocks in this City for any Sum not to exceed $200 per Annum.

Ordered that the follows firemen be appointed

Engine No 4 Thos L Rich 2d Wd Mercht Taylor vice Peter Lorilliard resigned

N° 8 Joseph Tate 7th Wd Baker vice George Minuse resigned
N° 7 Wm Dyke 5th Wd Baker vice Gideon Waterbury resigned.

The Clerk presented the Dr of Deeds to Hugh Gaine, Peter P Van Zandt & Wm & Abm K, Beekman of Parcels of the Common Lands agreed to be sold to them in the Year which were approved & ordered to be engrossed

[181] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday March 30th 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Jotham Post	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assistts
Joshua Barker		Philip Brasher	
Selah Strong		Nichs Carmer	
Mangle Minthorne		Jacob J Arden	
John Bogert		John P Ritter	
Robert Lenox		Philip Ten Eyck	

The Poll List of an Election held in the 3d Ward of an Assessor was read And John McQueen (who was elected at the said Election) together with Andrew Morris & Edward Nicoll for the 1st Ward & Abraham O Bogert for the 5th Ward elected Assessors at former Elections, attended & took & subscribed the Oaths by Law prescribed & directed

A Petition for paving Cherry Street between George & East Rutgers Streets was read & referred to the Street Commissrs

Ordered that the Neighborhood be permitted to sink a Well in such part of Bedlow Street, near Birmingham Alley, as the Aldn & Assistt of the Wd shall direct.

On reading a Report of the St Commissrs An Ordinance was passed to make front Street & Wharf compleat from De Peyster's Store House to the northerly side of Dover Street Wharf by the 15th day of June next.

[182] The engrossed Deeds to Hugh Gaine, Peter P, Van Zandt & Wm & Abm K. Beekman for Parcels of the Common Lands adjoining their respective Lands were read & approved And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto & that Mr Mayor subscribe the same on behalf of this Board

Ordered that John Riker 4th Wd Coachmaker be appointed a Fire Man to Engine N° 20 vice Antho Glean absent from this City.

Ordered that Mr Carmer take measures for collecting & securing

the Timber drifted from the Wharf at Belle Vue during the late Storm.

A Petition of Johan Rocloss Master of the Brig[t] Mentor from Hamburgh praying Relief on a Suit brought ag[t] him for landing Passengers contrary to Law was read. Ordered that on his entering into Bond as the Law directs the Suit be discontinued on payment of Costs.

Ordered that Peter M[c]Carty be permitted to lead the private Drain from his House into the Common Sewer in Jacob Street.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[ts] on the Treas[r] to pay.

issd	Nich[s] Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Tho[s] Hazard for lighting Lamps	£92:16: 4

[183] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 6th day of April 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

John Bogert	Esq[rs] Ald[n]	Philip Brasher
Mangle Minthorne		Jacob J Arden
Joshua Barker		John Nitchie
Jotham Post		John P Ritter
Robert Lenox		Nich[s] Carmer
		Henry Verveelen
		Philip Ten Eyck

Assist[s]

The Clerk presented to the Board the Proposals, sealed which he had received, for Brooklyn Ferries, & on opening of which Townsend & Nostrandt's Offer of $2600 Dollars per annum for three Years for the old Ferry & Jonathan Titus's Offer of $404 per annum for the like Term for the new Ferry were determined by the Board to be the best Offers & accepted.

A Petition of Samuel Stillwell & others for opening a Road through Jacob Harsens Land & across the Commons was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

Petitions of Stephen Rawson Master of the Brig[t] Lidia & of Wm Marrenner Master of the Brig[t] Trio for Relief on Suits bro't ag[t] them for landing Passengers contrary to Law were read & granted on the usual Terms.

[184] On reading a Petition Ordered that the Neighborhood of Cross & Orange Streets be permitted to sink a Well in such Place as the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the Ward shall direct.

Request's of Ab[m] Brinckerhoof & of Swartwout & Dumont the former to erect a Lime House in Coenties Lane & the latter in Pearl Street were granted until their respective Buildings shall be under Roof

Ordered that Simon Van Antwerp be appointed a Measurer of Lime.

An Ordinance was passed requiring the Corporation of Trinity Church to raise & fill up the Intersections of the Streets crossing Greenwich S[t] between the termination of the present Pavement & Bestaver's Killetie.

Ordered that M[r] Recorder be requested to enquire into the Circumstances & State of the Water Lots in front of the Estates of Remsen & Riker on the East side of Burlings Slip & report to the Board.

Ordered that M[r] Carmer enclose the whole of the Piece of Land, purchased for a public burying Ground, adjoining the two Roads with a tight Board Fence, and also to paint the Fence round the Park.

Ordered that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treas[r] to pay

iss[d] David Marshall for superintend[g] the new public bury[g] Ground.. £21

[185] City of New York } ss

At a Common Council held at the City Hall of the City of New York on Tuesday the 7th April 1801 Pursuant to the Statute for regulating Elections.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Selah Strong
John Bogert
Mangle Minthorne
Jotham Post
Joshua Barker
Robert Lenox
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]

John Nitchie
Jacob J Arden
Philip Brasher
Philip Ten Eyck
Nich[s] Carmer
John P Ritter
Henry Verveelen
} Assist[s]

The Board proceeded to the election of Inspectors for the ensuing Election of Gov[r] Lieutenant Governor, Senators & Members of Assembly & the following Persons were duly elected viz[t]

	Nicholas Evertson		Abraham Brinckerhoff
1st Wd	Henry White	2d Wd	Abraham Varick
	Aquila Giles		Peter Mackie
	James Scott		Anthony Post
3d Wd	John Titus	4th Wd	Bernard[s] Swartwout Jun[r]
	Walter Bowne		Joseph Winter

Wm Rhinelander — John Crolius Junr
5th Wd Leonard Fisher — 6th Wd John P Groshon
Robt P. Lee — Fredck Rhinelander

William Neilson
7th Wd William Bayard
Jacob Morton

[186] City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Monday the 13th day of April 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Mangle Minthorn	Esqrs Aldn	John Nitchie	Assists
Robert Lenox		Jacob J Arden	
John B Coles		John P Ritter	
Selah Strong		Philip Ten Eyck	
John Bogert		Philip Brasher	

Ordered that Aldn Strong & Messrs Nitchie & Arden be a Committee to attend & direct the Sale of such of the Common Land Lots as the Purchasers have neglected or refused to accept their Deeds & pay the consideration Money. That the Sale of the said Lots be postponed 'till the first Tuesday in May next And that in the meantime the Deeds made out to the former Purchasers be sealed & signed by Mr Mayor to be tendered to the respective Purchasers by the Street Commissioners, who are to preserve Evidence thereof in cases of refusal to accept & pay the consideration Money.

Ordered that Aldn Coles Lenox Strong & Minthorn & Mr Ritter be a Committee to enquire into the subject & report to the Board such Improvement as they shall judge may be made to the Œconomy & Management of the [187] Alms House with an Eye to the Rules for the Government of the Alms House reported and agreed to by the Board on the 6th day of October last; but which, thro' want of an Act of the Legislature as petitioned for by this Board last Session, cannot be carried into full effect

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Theophs Beekman special Justice	$187 99/100
issd	Jacob D L Montagnie the like	$187 99/100
issd	Bernard O Blenis Clk Police Office	$225
issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watchmen	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Cotton Gelston for Lamp Oil	£311: 7:—

City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 20th day of April 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

John Bogert	Esqrs Aldn	Nicholas Carmer	Assistts
Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorn		Philip Brasher	
Joshua Barker		John P Ritter	
Jotham Post		Jacob J Arden	
John B Coles			

[188] Ordered that the Street Commissrs meet with the Persons authorized for the purpose at Hallets Cove & confer with them on the subject of the Ferry near Hellgate & report the Result to the Board.

A Petition for suspending the Ordinance for paving Cherry St between Et George & Et Rutgers Streets was read & referred to the St Commissrs

A Petition of Stanton & Ross stating their Losses in keeping the old Brooklyn Ferry from the termination of Van Maters Lease last Fall during the Winter & praying a remission of the Rent was read And on the Question whether the Board would grant their Prayer it passed in the negative.

A Petition of Benja Page, Consignee of the Ship Eliza from Liverpool for Relief against an Attachment on the said Ship for landing Passengers contrary to Law; was granted on his complying with the usual Terms in such Cases & to indemnify the City agt such Passengers as were landed at Cape May & who are since come to this City.

A Petition of Peter Lott for the use of the upper Room in the new Watch House; was read & referred to the St Commissrs

A Petition of Bernards Swartwout Junr for a Grant of the Soil under Water in Hudsons River on the North of Thames Slip from the termination of his present Grant out to the permanent Line was read & the Draft of a Grant was ordered to be prepared accordingly.

[189] Ordered that on each Sunday for two Months to come two of the Peace Officers be employed one at the Battery & the other at the Park to prevent unruly Boys & others from playing in those Places & injuring the Trees & Grass and that each Officer employed be allowed one Dollar each Sunday.

The two following Reports of the St Commissrs were read & agreed to by the Board vizt

The St Commissrs on the Petition of Anthony Rutgers & others

on the Subject of a Bason at the lower end of Reade & Duane Streets for the accommodation of Hay Boats Report that they have examined the Place mentioned in the Petition and find that the permanent Line is there compleated agreable to the Plan laid down by the Bd some time since & from other existing Causes are of Opinion it would be inexpedient for the Board to erect a Bason agreable to the wish of the Petitioners.

On the Petition of Thomas Pearsall & others on the subject of an Engine House in the vicinity of Burlings Slip they Report that they have examined the situation at the head of Burling & Beekmans Slips and are of Opinion that the most eligible Place for erecting the said House is at Beekmans Slip directly in the rear of a Fountain erected by the Manhattan Co for supplying Shipping with Water

Richd Furman
John Bogert

Ordered that Robert McDermot be permitted to make a Vault under the Street in front of his new House in Greenwich Street

[190] The Treasurer presented the follows Report vizt

The City Treasurer begs leave to Present to Com. Council the Sales of the property of Martin Morrison late Collector of the Seventh Ward.

The Lease of the Houses to J. Dobbins		2250
Lot in Christopher Street		60
		2310
The payment on the Lease 10 ℔ Ct	225	
Cash for the Lot	60	
	285	
Deduct Charges	17.77	17.77
Ballce of Cash in the hands of L Bleecker	267.23	
Neat Amt of Sales ℔ L Bleecker ..... Drs		2292.23
Cash received from the Sheriff for the neat Amot of Goods Sold by him		222.94
Whole Amot of property sold ..... Dr		2515.17
Notes due from J. Dobbins	2025	
Ballance of Cash	267.23	
		2292.23

The Board will be pleased to determine on the Sufficiency of the Indorsers named by Mr Bleecker and Direct an Assignment to James Dobbins of the Lease and a Conveyance of the Lot to Robert G. Boyd. who has paid the full Consideration Money to Mr Bleecker

Dan Phœnix City Treasr

New York April 17. 1801.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	The St Commissrs on Acct	$1000
issd	Philip Tabelle as Clerk at 2 Elections of Assessor 3d Wd	$4
issd	Richardson Underhill for Lamp Oil	$1564 49/100
issd	Latham Bunker for the like	750 75/100
issd	John Farrington & other Peace Officers for prevents Injury to Trees &c at the Battery Bowling Green & Park	$20

[191] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 27th day of April 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Alds	Philip Ten Eyck	Assists
Jotham Post		John P Ritter	
Mangle Minthorne		John Nitchie	
Joshua Barker		Nichs Carmer	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	
John B Coles		Philip Brasher	
Robert Lenox		Jacob J Arden	

Mr Mayor informed the Board that Mr Riker of Newtown on Long Island had called on him to signify that himself with others of that Township had been appointed with full Powers to meet with a Committee of this Board if this Board should be pleased to appoint one with like Powers to treat confer & agree upon Terms for the establishment of a Ferry across the River from Horn's Hook Point to Hallets Point or Cove near Hell Gate Whereupon the Alds of the 1st 3d & 7th Wards were appointed a Committee, to act with the Street Commissioners, to meet confer and agree for the purpose aforesaid with such Persons as may be appointed on the part of the Township of New Town.

The Bd agree that Mr Mayor direct two of the Peace Officers to attend each Poll of the Election & that they be allowed 1 Dollr each per Day

[192] On reading a Report of the Inspectors of Lots An Ordinance was passed by the Board requiring certain Sinks or Privies on

the following Lots to be cleansed by the 10th May next under the penalty of $100 each vizt

Owners	No of Lot	Street
Joseph Bird	294	Pearl
George Pick	292	Do
Caleb Frost	290	Do
Walter Bown	228	Water

The St Commissrs on the Petition of Peter Lot for the use of the upper Room in the new Watch House made a Report & it was ordered by the Board that they let him use the Room on such Terms as they shall think proper

A Petition of Gerard Walton respecting his Pier at the West side of the Fly Market Slip was read and referred to the St Commissioners to cause a Survey to be made of the Water Lots there to be reported to the Bd

A Petition of the neighborhood for the paving of Charlotte St was read & referred to the St Commissrs

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	£85: 4: 6
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	£85: 4: 6
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	£62: 2: 6
issd	Furman & Loudon for printing	$98 25/100
issd	Joseph Webb for repairs Lamps	$10 18/100
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	$234 1/100

[193] The Board having revised and amended the Bye Laws or Ordinances of this Corporation for the Good Rule and Government of this City the same were respectively reordained and published to be and Continued in force for one year vizt

"A Law for the due Observance of the Lords Day called Sunday

"A Law Directing the Uses of the Public Seals of the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Admission of Freemen in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Public Markets in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the quality and weight of Loaf Bread in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the paving and keeping in repair and to prevent Obstructions in the Streets of the City of New York.

"A Law to prevent Nuisances in the City of New York.

"A Law for preventing and extinguishing Fires in the City of New York

"A Law to regulate the keeping of Gun Powder in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate Surveyors in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate Carts and Cartmen in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Landing and Sale of Hay in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Fire Wood in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Lime in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Charcoal in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale and Cartage of Manure, Sand and Clay in the City of New York.

[194] "A Law to regulate the fees of Weigh Masters and Measurers in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the lying of Vessels at the Public Wharves and in the Slips of the City of New York and to establish the rates of Wharfage.

"A Law for regulating fences in the City of New York

"A Law to prevent the setting of fences or other obstructions in the River within the Limits and Jurisdiction of the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the Sale of Horses, to prevent their running loose in the Streets and to prevent racing in the Streets or Highways in the City of New York.

"A Law to regulate the passing of Carriages and Sleds meeting each other in the Public Streets and Roads in the City of New York.

"A Law to prevent the ringing or tolling of Bells for Funerals in the City of New York.

[195] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 4th day of May 1801 at the Alms House

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong Mangle Minthorn John Bogert Joshua Barker Jotham Post Robert Lenox	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher Jacob J Arden John Nitchie Henry Verveelen Nichs Carmer John P Ritter Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts

Mr Mayor & the Members having visited the several Wards in the Alms House and Bridewell The Committee of Accts reported that

they had examined the Acct^s of the Commissioners as to their Receipts & Expenditures the last Quarter & compared them with their respective Vouchers & found them right viz^t

Those of the Alms House amount^g to..... £3524: 8: 7
D^o of the Bridewell..... 608: 8: 3

An Estimate for the ensuing Quarter was presented by the Commiss^rs & agreed to as follows

For the Alms House..... £4000:—:—
For the Bridewell..... £400:—:—

Ordered that M^r Mayor issue his Warr^t for payment thereof accordingly

The Board took into consideration the Memorial of W^m De Peyster for compensation for his Services formerly as Treas^r of the B^d of Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell and the same was rejected.

[196] On a suggestion that Daniel Kemper one of the Weigh Masters irregularly executed the Duties of that Office the B^d direct that he attend on Monday next to answer &^c

The Clerk presented to the Board the Assigned Lease of Martin Morison late Collector of the 7^th W^d to this B^d with *and* an Assignment thereon endorsed from this B^d to James Dobbin which was approved & the Common Seal was ordered to be affixed to be delivered on his complying with the Terms of Sale.

A Petition of W^m Thomas relative to his Water Lot at Corlaers Hook was read & referred to the S^t Commiss^rs

A Petition for paving E^t Barley S^t was read & referred to the S^t Commiss^rs

A Petition of James Amory complaining of the want of a Road to pass to his Land on the Commons was read & referred to the S^t Commiss^rs

On reading a Petition of Rob^t Lylburn the B^d determine that an Allowance be made him for any deficiency in his Common Land Lot purchased at Auction which may reduce it less than it was sold for.

Ordered that Christ^r Hughes be permitted to take up Roosevelt S^t to lay Drains to lead the Bye Water from his Cellars.

Ordered that the S^t Commiss^rs take Order for repair^g Roosevelt S^t Sewer

Ordered that a quarterly Return of all the Inhabitants in the Alms H^s be made to the B^d at their Meetings at the Alms House.

[197] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay

issd The Justices of the Justices Court..... $456
issd Peter Hawes Coroner for Inquest..... $39 50/100

Ordered that the Committee for superintends the Sale of the Common Lands be authorized in their discretion to purchase the Lot of Ground adjoining the Corner Lot belonging to this Bd on the West side of Pecks Slip

A Petition for paving the Street on the Et side of Wall Street Slip was referred to the St Commissrs

City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday May 11th 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Jotham Post		John Nitchie	
Mangle Minthorn		John P Ritter	
Joshua Barker		Philip Ten Eyck	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	

Ordered that the Clerk notify the Assessors in the several Wards that it is necessary that they should without delay proceed to the making of the Assessment Lists for raising the Monies by Tax required to defray the public Expences of this City the currt Year

Ordered that Isaac Stoutenburgh & David Gardiner be appointed Weighmasters in this City.

[198] The Clerk presented to the Board the Leases to Thomas S Townsend & Timothy Nostrand for the Ferry from the Fly Market Slip to the old landing Place at Brooklyn And to Jonathan Titus from Catharine Slip to Sands's Wharf at Brooklyn for the Term of three Years from the first instant which together with their Bonds for the performance of the Covenants in the said Leases were read & approved & [it] was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed to be delivd on their executing the counterparts & the Bonds respectively.

A Deed to Robert G Boyd of the Lot conveyed to this Board by Martin Morrison late Collector in the Bowery Division in the 7th Ward for the arrearages of Taxes due from him was read & approved And it was ordered that the Common Seal be affixed thereto subscribed by Mr Mayor to be delivered on payment of the consideration Money

Ordered that the Street Commissrs enquire into the State of Greenwich Street from the South side of Provoost Street to the South side of Laight Street & report to the Bd on the expediency of paving it

Ordered that Richard Varick Esq^{r} be permitted to make Vaults & Areas as well in front as on the side of his House he intends building on the Corner of Broad way & Robinson Streets.

A request of Stephen Coles & Son to take up part of Ferry Street to lay Drains from their Lots was read & granted on condition that they put the Street in good order

Ordered that the Street Commissioners enquire into the State of that Street & report what is further necessary to be done.

[199] A Petition for continuing Roosevelt Street Sewer farther towards the River was read & referred to the Street Commissioners

A Petition of James Hague Master of the Ship Amelia for Relief on a Suit bro't ag^{t} him for landing Passengers contrary to Law was read & granted on the usual Terms

Ordered that W^{m} Russel 5th W^{d} Mason be appointed a Fireman to Hook & Ladder C^{o} N^{o} 2 vice Richard Russel dec^{d}

Jacob Hauptman Jun^{r} 5th W^{d} Printer to Engine N^{o} 15th vice Martin Morrison removed

Alex^{r} Slott 5th W^{d} Carver to Engine N^{o} 24 vice Robert Carter resigned

Ordered that an additional Peace Officer be employed for the same length of time & on the same allowance of Pay as those at the Battery & Park to attend in the old Greenwich Lane & the Neighborhood to prevent breaches of the Sabbath.

Ordered that Thomas Warren be permitted to take up part of Maiden Lane to drain the bye Water from his Cellar.

The S^{t} Commissioners to whom was referred the Petitions of Sam^{l} L Mitchell & others for the paving of Charlotte Street from Division to Cherry Streets—of Jacob Appley & others for paving Pell Street from the Bowery Lane to Mott Street & the Petition of George Ship & others for paving Bayard Street from the Bowery Lane to Rynders Street, Report that the Prayers of the Petitioners ought to be granted.

And thereupon Ordinances for the paving of the said Streets were passed by the Board accordingly.

[200] Application was made by Richard Varick Esq^{r} as Owner of the Right of Soil of the breadth of one hundred and eighty eight feet six Inches, Parcel of the Land under the Water of Hudson River situate in the late West now the fourth Ward of this City, in front of & contiguous to the Wharf or Dock called Deys Dock (which was granted under the Common Seal of this City to Dirick Dey on the 14th day of October 1743) for a Grant to him of the Land under the

Water of Hudson River in front of his Right of Soil aforesaid agreably to the Report of Isaac Stoutenburgh Theophilus Beekman & Gabriel Furman as a Committee of this Board on the 12th October 1795 in his favor; And that until the Terms of such Grant to him shall be adjusted & a Grant to him made pursuant thereto he be permitted to sink Piers & build Bridges upon a range with the Corporation Wharf to the northward thereof and to form a Bason on & in front of his Right of Soil aforesaid for his own use & emolument.

Whereupon the Board determine that the said Richard Varick be permitted to sink such Piers & to build Bridges for the purpose of forming a Bason agreable to his application as aforesaid.

[201] A Deed from Anthony Lispenard & Effingham Embree of a parcel of Land for the purpose of a Street of fifty feet in breadth from Hudson Street to the Ground claimed by John Quackenboss,* was presented to the Board & ordered to be filed & recorded.

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasurer to pay.

issd	Wm Van Waert for the City Watch	$213 9/100
issd	Nichs Lawrence for the like	$213 9/100
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	$155 81/100
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	$155 81/100
issd	The Clerks of the Election for Govr &c &c	$108
issd	The Peace Officers for attendg the same Election	$42
issd	Richard Hartshorn for 2 lost fire Buckets	$4

Pursuant to the Statute entitled "An Act for taking a Census in this State" passed the 7th April 1801 the Board proceeded to the appointment of two Persons in each Ward of this City for the purposes mentioned in the said Statute and the following Persons were appointed accordingly

For the 1st Ward	for the second Ward
William G Forbes	Cornelius Wynkoop
John H Sickels	George Harsen
for the 3d Ward	for the 4th Ward
David Wolfe	Jacob Abramse
John Harrison	Benjamin Romaine
for the 5th Ward	for the 6th Ward
Jotham Post	Henry Verveelen
David Harriot	John Pier Groshon

For the 7th Ward

Jacob Boos
William Willing

* Marginal note reads *Leonard Street*.—Ed.

Ordered that the same Persons be employed in their respective Wards to make & return a new List of Persons qualified to serve as Pettit Jurors at the Supreme Court the Circuit & Oyer & Terminer Courts & the Mayors Court & Sessions. in this City.

[202] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 18th day of May 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Mangle Minthorn	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Brasher	Assistts
Selah Strong		John Nitchie	
Jotham Post		Nicholas Carmer	
Joshua Barker		John P Ritter	
John Bogert		Philip Ten Eyck	
John B Coles			
Robert Lenox			

A Request of the Inspectors of the late Election 1st Wd for reimbursement of certain Expences incurred; was read & rejected.

The Clerk presented the engrossed Grant to the United States of the Soil under Water of the East River from high to low Water mark in front of the Land lately purchased by James & Ebenezer Watson, Agents of the United States, of John Jackson at the Walleboght in the Town of Brooklyn on Nassau Island, for the purposes of a Navy Yard; which was read & approved by the Board & Ordered to be sealed with the Common Seal & subscribed by Mr Mayor to be by him delivered to Mr James Watson

Petitions of James Niel, James Webb, Solomon Gorham, Joseph Marschalk, & Samuel B Spencer & Israel Bullock Masters of Vessels praying Relief agt Suits brought on the Law for regulating the landing of Passengers were respectively read & granted on the usual Terms.

[203] A Request of the Society of People called Quakers to strew Tanners Bark in the Street opposite to their Meeting House to prevent Interruption from the Noise of Carriages during their annual Meeting was read & granted

A Petition to sink a Well at the Corner of Laight & Greenwich Street was read & referred to the St Commissrs

On reading a Report of the Street Commissrs Ordinances were passed for paving the following Streets vizt

Greenwich Street from the present Pavement to Laight Street.

The Street on the East side of Wall Street Slip from Front Street to South Street

Henry Street from Fayette Street to Catharine Street.

And Fletcher Street from Front Street to South Street.

The Committee who were appointed to attend the sale of the Lot of Thomas Farmer adjoining the Corporation Lot on the West side of Pecks Slip & in their discretion to purchase for the use of the Corporation Report that they have made the said Purchase for the sum of £3100—one third part whereof to be paid on delivery of the Deed & the residue in one Year with Interest—the above Lot is thirty seven & an half feet in breadth on Front Street with a Tenement which at present lets for £145 p^{r} Annum

Selah Strong
John Nitchie

Ordered that on the delivery of a proper Deed for the said Lot M^{r} Mayor issue his Warr^{t} on the Treasury for payment of the whole of the consideration Money.

[204] The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz^{t}

" The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee on the part of Newtown in relation to the establishing of a Ferry from Horns Hook to Long Island

Report that they have met the said Committee from Newtown and after considerable discussion of the subject they declined having any agency in or giving any facility to the Corporation in establishing the said Ferry, except that the Corporation would admit the said Town to participate in the emoluments to be derived therefrom, which your Committee informed them would not be consented to by the Corporation and upon their Request that your Committee would make some specific proposition upon the subject, they did propose that the Corporation would open the necessary Road upon this Island and establish the Ferry provided that the Inhabitants of Newtown had no objection to their building a ferry Stairs from the Landing at the Road leading down at the River at Hallets cove to which the Newtown Committee declared their dissent and that they would oppose the building such stairs

Your Committee further report that Samuel Blackwell and Cornelius Rapaljie own *own* about five Acres of Land which forms Hallets point and appears to be the most eligible spot for establishing the proposed ferry at, and that these proprietors have proposed to sell

the same for twelve hundred [205] Pounds which appears to your Committee to be more than the said piece of Land is worth but that it would be proper for the Corporation to buy the same whenever it can be done at a suitable and fair price

Your Committee further report that in their opinion the Road laid out near to Horns Hook ought to be immediately opened and a proper ferry Stairs erected on this side of the River. and that the said Ferry should then be Rented out for three Years at the highest price that can be obtained for the same.

New York 18th May 1801.

Jnº B. Coles
Selah Strong
Mangle Minthorne
John Bogert
Richd Furman

Ordered that the Street Commissioners take order for the opening of the said Road, making the Ferry Stairs & the letting out of the said Ferry agreable to the above Report

And that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay the
issd Street Commissrs the Sum of $375 to be by them paid or
issd tendered to Archibald Gracie & the Sum of $1500 to be paid or tendered as afd to the Devisees of Nicholas Cruger decd for the Land taken of them respectively for the said
issd Road And also the further Sum of $1500 to be paid or tendered as afd to "The Corporation of the United German Lutheran Churches in the City of New York" for the Ground taken of them to widen Rector Street agreable to certain Proceedings had on the 29th Octr last in the Mayors Court of this City.

[206] Ordered that Zeno Archer of the 3d Wd Mercht & Henry Lyon of the 4th Ward Upholsterer be appointed Firemen to Engine Nº 24 vice Cornelius Warner & George J Warner resigned

The Board proceeded to the Consideration of the subject of Piers to be extended into the East River from South Street & after some time spent thereon it was referred to Mr Recorder to examine the Charter of this City & the Acts of the Legislature on the Subject & for his Opinion thereon

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrants on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Rinier Skaats for 1 Qr Salary & Disbursemts.....	$57 78/100
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil.....	$411 29/100

Resolved that the Commissioner of Excise of this City and County be requested from and after the first day of June next to receive from all persons applying to keep a publick Inn or Tavern within this City all Monies as well for the Licence as for the Excise and pay the same (except Six shillings for each Licence allowed to be paid to the Mayor for his trouble and Attention in that business) to the Chamberlain or Treasurer of the City together with the Monies to be rec[d] by him for the Excise rendering a distinct Acc[t] thereof to him; And further that for receiving and paying such additional Sum over and above the excise he be allowed two and a half per Cent for his trouble

[207] City of New York } At a Common Council held on Monday the 25[th] day of May 1801.

Present/ Richard Varick Esq[r] Mayor
Richard Harison Esq[r] Recorder

Robert Lenox
Joshua Barker
Selah Strong
Mangle Minthorn
John Bogert
} Esq[rs] Ald[n]
John Nitchie
Nicholas Carmer
Henry Verveelen
Philip Brasher
John P Ritter
Philip Ten Eyck

The following Award was presented to the Board & read viz[t]

"We the subscribers being appointed Arbitrators by the honorable Common Council of the one part & Robert Gilchrist of the other "to determine the Sum to be allowed for the Ground belonging to the Estate of Nicholas Roosevelt dec[d] & taken to improve Greenwich Street" Do award and value the aforesaid Ground as follows viz[t]

The Lot of Ground in Greenwich Street two thousand five hundred Doll[s]	$2500
The Ground taken for Greenwich Street Eight hundred & seventy five Dollars &	875

Interest on the same from 5[th] at the rate of five P C[t] P Ann[m]

New York May 22[d] 1801

Wm Rhinelander
Geo. Lindsay
Josh[a] Sands."

Whereupon the B[d] determined that the Interest mentioned in the said Award ought to commence at the time of bringing the Ejectment for the said Ground And was Ordered that on the executing & delivery of proper Releases [208] to this Board for the said Ground M[r]

Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer for payment of the said Monies.

Ordered that M[r] Recorder take Measures to compel the Commiss[rs] named in the Act of the Legislature for widening Beaver Lane in the first Ward to the execution of the Duties required of them by the said Law.

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist of the 3[d] Ward & the Assist[t] of the 5[th] Ward be a Committee to treat with the Owner for the purchase of the Lot which obstructs the continuing of Bancker Street into Pearl Street

The S[t] Commiss[rs] represented to the Board that previous to the regulating of Leonard Street it would be of public utility to have that Street opened to the width of fifty feet from Hudson Street to the Broadway; that from the late Conveyance of Anthony Lispenard & Effingham Embree to this Board it appeared that they had conveyed that breadth to the Ground of John Quackenbos, where the said Street is but forty feet. The Commiss[rs] suggest that it would be proper to appoint a Committee to treat with M[r] Quackenbos for so much of his Ground as may be necessary to continue the said Street of the breadth of fifty feet to the Broad Way.

Ordered that the Ald[n] & Assist[t] of the 5[th] & the Ald[n] of the 4[th] Wards be a Committee to treat with M[r] Quackenbos accordingly.

[209] A Petition for digging out Henry Street from Catharine Street to George Street was read & referred to the Street Commiss[rs]

A Petition of Anthony Brown Collector of Taxes in the 6[th] Ward stating that he will not be able to compleat the collection of the Taxes by the time allowed by Law and therefore pray[s] that the Board would accept his Notes for the deficiency, payable in 30, 60 & 90 Days, with such security as the Board shall approve; was read & granted.

The following Report was read & agreed to by the Board viz[t]

The Committee to whom was refered the Petition of Joshua Sands praying a Grant of the Soil between High and Low water mark in front of Lands in the Town of Brooklyn Nassau Island, Report they have examined the merits of the application of the Petitioner and are of opinion it would be proper for the Corporation to grant the prayer thereof.

They therefore beg Leave to recommend the making out a grant for the Soil from high to low water mark Subject to Quit Rent of one Cent for each foot fronting on the River forever hereafter

Provided the said Joshua Sands first Conveys to the Corporation one Lot of Ground on the Northwest Corner of Main and Water

Streets of the following Dimensions &c thirty feet on Main Street and forty feet on Water Street. and that he also widens Main Street twenty five feet from water Street to the Extent of any Improvements that hereafter may be made into River and Conveys the same to the Corporation for Publick purposses.

New York 25th May 1801

John Bogert
Selah Strong
Philip Brasher
Richd Furman

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

Nichs Lawrence for the City Watchmen	$213 9/100
Wm Van Waert for the like	$213 9/100
Magnus Beekman for the like	$155 81/100
Hugh Gobel for the like	$155 81/100
John D Miller for Lamp Oil	$776 47/100

[210] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Monday the 1st day of June 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Selah Strong	Esqrs Aldn	Philip Ten Eyck	Assistts
Jotham Post		John Nitchie	
John Bogert		Henry Verveelen	
Mangle Minthorn		Nicholas Carmer	
Joshua Barker			
John B Coles			

The followg Report was read & filed.

" In Compliance with the Order of the Common Council, referring it to me to State the Title of the Corporation to the Land intended to be Occupied for Piers in the East River, I have examined the Charters of the City as far as they concern that Subject and beg leave to Report.

That the Charter granted by Govr Dongan on the 22d of April 1686. gives to the Corporation " All the vacant Land on Manhattan Island extending to Low Water Mark."

That in Addition to the above grant, Queen Anne by Patent dated the 19th day of April 1708 gives to them "All the Vacant Land upon Long Island, between high and Low Water Mark, from the Wallabout to Red Hook"; and that King George the Second by Charter dated the 15th day of January 1730, confirmed the former Grants to the City and gave the Corporation " all the Land under water to the extent

of four hundred feet below low water mark from Bastavers Killitie to the South side of the Street running from the Parade to Hudsons River, and from a place at the North side of Corlaers Hook to White Hall."

That upon these several Charters the Grants of the Corporation to Individuals, reserving Quit [211] Rents have been founded; And that neither the Act of the Legislature passed the 3d of April 1798 nor any other of their Acts, has invested the Corporation with any Title to the Land lying beyond the Limits above mentioned nor with any right to impose a Quit Rent upon such Land.

All which is respectfully Submitted

New York 1st June 1801. Rich: Harison

A Letter from Anthony Dey to Mr Mayor informing him that prosecutions had been commenced against several Persons for retailing Liquors in Booths on the Harlem Race Ground in violation of Law & requesting the direction of the Board on the Subject Whereupon the Board determined that they would not interfere in the Business.

An Ordinance was passed requiring John Murray Junr to fill up the opening in the Pier on the East side of Wall Street Slip, to prevent the Earth passing through and lodging in the Slip, by the 1st July next under the Penalty of $100.

Ordered that the Street Commissrs report what Measures have been taken for filling up the Water Lots & making of South Street from the Fly Market Slip to the Wall Street Slip.

Ordered that Adam Finch Junr 4th Wd Innholder be appointed a fire Man to Engine No 6 vice Wm L'Hommedieu decd

And Bartholomew Smith 6th Wd Cartman to Engine No 8 additional

Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasurer to pay

issd	Nicholas Carmer on Acct	$800
issd	The St Commissrs on Acct	$1000
issd	The Police Justices for St Domingo Refugees	$100

[212] The Treasurer stated to the Board that the Ballance due from Abraham Van Gelder Junior Collector of taxes in the Seventh Ward Amounted to $442 25/100. And that from Anthony Brown Collector of Taxes in the sixth Ward to $3,200 48/100. that Mr Van Gelder proposed to give his Note endorsed by his father Abraham Van Gelder for the said Ballance payable in thirty days and that Mr Brown proposed to give his three Notes for his Ballance payable in thirty, Sixty and Ninety days endorsed by Anthony Steenback and James Riker all

which was approved by the Board and in order to enable the Treasurer to Settle his Tax Accounts the Board order that the amount of the said two Ballances be transferred to the Revenue Accounts.

The Board passed the following Ordinance

"A Law for the Appointment of a person to Attend to the due execution of the Laws touching the Police of the City of New York and to prescribe his Duties

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council Convened—that the Common Council shall from time to time appoint and employ a discreet and intelligent person to attend to the due execution of all such Acts of the Legislature as respect the Police of this City and all such Bye Laws or Ordinances which now are or hereafter shall be made and ordained by the Common Council for the Rule and Government of this City, And to that end it shall be the Duty of such person daily to pass through the several Streets and along the Several Slips and Wharves in this City to inspect and observe in general all infractions or violations of any or either of such Acts of the Legislature or Bye Laws or Ordinances and particularly all encroachments on or obstructions impediments or Nuisances in the Streets or Slips or on the Wharves in this City or other Violations of the Laws for the Regulation of the Streets and preventing Nuisances, Also to examine all idle and disorderly persons vagrants and Beggars which may be found in the Streets and cause them to be dealt with according to Law and to do and execute all such other matters and things touching the premises as the Common Council or the Mayor, Recorder or any one of the Aldermen of the said City shall order or direct in Conformity to such Acts Laws and Ordinances [213] And that all such fines or forfeitures which shall be recovered by such person to be appointed as aforesaid shall go to the use of the Corporation of this City to be Accounted for to the Common Council every three Months or oftener if by them the same shall be required And that the said person shall be allowed for his Services at the rate of $500 per Annum to be paid quarter Yearly. John S Delamater High Constable of this City was Appointed to perform the duties in the aforegoing Ordinance mentioned.

The Committee to whom was referred the further Sale of the Common Lands Report that the following Lots were Sold viz[t]

N[o]	84	M[r] James Boland	$310
	116	John Titus	775
	122	d[o]	775
	128	d[o]	625

N° 132	G. F. Toderhorst	$300
137	J. H Brown	300
141	David Wagstaff	325
143	d°	300
145	John P Ryerss	300
147	d°	275
190	James Watson Junr	675
124	John Titus	1,175
118	Martin Hoffman	1,375
176	Walter Bowne	200
182	John Tom	340
	Total Sales	$8050

Recd ten Pr Cent Cash on the above		$805
Deduct Comn by Agreement	$50.	
United States duty ¼ PC. on 8050	20.12	
Coffee house fees 62½ Cents on 15 Lotts each	9.37	
		79.49
	Nett Amt	725.51

Errors Excepted

New York 1st June 1801 Leond Bleecker

N. B. Lott N° 134 sold to Mr Cravningshield for $600 as inclosed in fence he declines taking because there was no inclosure, Lott 174 Sold to Amasa Jackson for $270 he will not take unless the Lott is particularly marked out to him—These two with N° 110, 151, 194 & 130 are Advertised for Sale on Friday next the 5th Instant.

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Ordered that the Deeds for the said Lots be immediately prepared & sealed & subscribed by Mr Mayor & delivered to the Purchasors on their executing the counterparts & conforming to the Conditions of Sale

[214] Mr Mayor withdrew from the Board & Mr Recorder took the Chair.

When a Memorial of Richard Varick Esqr on the subject of his Water Lots on Hudson River was read & referred to the Aldn of the 2d 3d 6th & 7th Wards & the Assistt of the 3d Wd

Resolved and Ordered that the several and respective Owners of the Water Lots fronting and bounded on South Street from the White Hall Slip to the Broad Street Slip be and they are hereby required to cause to be made, sunk and Compleated under the inspection and direction of the Common Council, one Pier on the Northeast side of the White Hall Slip to range with the said Slip, and also one other

Pier on the Southwest side of the Broad Street Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip, That the several and respective owners of the Water Lots fronting and Bounded as aforesaid from Coenties Slip to the Old Slip be in like manner required to cause one Pier to be made Sunk and Compleated on the Northeast side of Coenties Slip to range with the said Slip and also one other Pier on the Southwest side of the Old Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip—That the several and respective Owners of the Water Lots fronting and bounded as aforesaid from the Wall Street Slip to the Fly Market Slip be in like manner required to cause one other Pier to be made sunk and Compleated on the Northeast side of the Wall Street Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip and also one other Pier on the Southwest side of the Fly Market Slip twenty feet from the present range of the said Slip, That the said Piers shall extend two hundred feet into the East River of the breadth of thirty feet each to be formed of three Blocks the outermost Block to be thirty feet by forty feet and the two inner block[s] to be thirty feet square with three Bridges of thirty three feet four inches each, That the several and respective Piers be commenced on or before the first day of July next and compleated on or before the first day of November 1802. And that this Board shall and will make Grants of the said Piers to the owners of the said Water Lots According to Law reserving in the said Grants the exclusive right in the Corporation of this City of wharfage and Slippage on the side of each Pier adjoining a Public Slip

[215] And that the Piers and Bridges be in all respects Considered as Public Streets or Highways and to be maintained and kept in repair by the Grantees their Heirs or Assigns,

City of New York } ss At a Common Council held on Thursday the 11th day of June 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Esqr Recorder

Robert Lenox Mangle Minthorn Selah Strong John Bogert Joshua Barker	Esqrs Alds	Philip Brasher Philip Ten Eyck Nicholas Carmer John P Ritter John Nitchie Henry Verveelen	Assists

The Committee on the further Sales of the Common Lands made the following additional Report vizt

" Sales of Common Land Lotts by order of the Corporation of the City of New York on the 5th June 1801.

No 110	to George McKay	$490
130	John Titus	825
134	Henry Post	425
151	John P Schermerhorn	600
174	John Patrick	160
194	James, Walker	355
		$2855

Recd 10 P Ct on $2500		
James Walker not having yet paid		$250
Deduct Coffee House fee	3 75/100	
United States Duty on $2855 @ ¼	7 13/100	10 88/100
Ballce due Corporan		$239 13/100

June 11th 1801 Leond Bleecker

Ordered that Mr Bleecker pay the sd Ballce into the Treasury.

[216] Ordered that Deeds for the said Lots be immediately prepared & sealed to be subscribed by Mr Mayor & deliv^d to the Purchasors on their executing the counterparts & conforming to the conditions of Sale.

Mr Mayor signified to the Board his intention of appointing Richard Smith (one [of] the City Marshalls) to the Office of a Deputy Clerk of the Markets, vice John S Delamater, High Constable, who is appointed to attend to the execution of the Corporation Bye Laws & Ordinances; Which was approved by the Board.

On reading a Memorial of the Owners of Water Lots between Coenties Slip & the Old Slip the Board determine that all the Piers, mentioned in the Report of the Committee of the 12th January last, may be made & compleated agreable to the said Report and the Ordinance of the 1st Instant; but that the said Ordinance be considered compulsory only as it respects the two Piers in each Block adjoining the Slips.

A Memorial of Henry Dawson by Nicholas Everson his Atty for an Allowance for certain Repairs & improvements made to the Ferry House at Brooklyn during his Occupancy; was read & rejected

On a Representation of the Chief Enginier the Board Order that eight additional Fire Men be allowed to Engine No 3.

A Petition of Samuel Bowne Junr for Relief against a Suit brought on the Law for prevention of fire & regulating of Buildings was read And the Board [217] determined that the only relief which ought to be

given in this Case was that execution ought to be stayed for six Months.

A Petition of Peter Stuyvezandt for a Grant of the Soil from High to low Water Mark in the E^{t} River in front of his Land was read & the Board determined that they would grant the said Soil from high Water Mark to within two feet of low Water Mark on such Terms & Conditions as shall be agreed on.

A Request of Anthony Lispenard to know in what manner & direction certain Streets in the 6th Ward will be laid out; was read & referred to the Street Commissioners.

A Petition of Ab^{m} Collard for permission to sink a rain Water Cistern in the Street adjoining his House in the 6th W^{d} was read & granted provided it be made of Brick & arched & done under the Inspection of the Ald^{n} & Assist^{t} of the Ward

On the Representation of Anthony Lispenard & others An Ordinance was passed, authorizing the laying of Timber in front of the foot or side Walks, instead of Stone in all new Streets which shall hereafter be ordered to be paved.

Whereas many Persons have improved & occupy Water Lots fronting the East River who have not obtained Grants for the same Ordered that the Treasurer report the number & names of all such Persons who are in possession of such Water Lots & the times they have so occupied the same to this Board [218] on Monday the 22^{d} Instant

Ordered that M^{r} Recorder take proper Measures by Bill in Equity or otherwise to enforce the payment of the Money expended by the Corporation in filling up the Water Lot lately belonging to Henry Cuyler deceased between Coenties & the Old Slips.

The Street Commissioners reported that they had, had a conversation with John Quackenbos on the subject of the Referrence, for part of his Lot to compleat Leonard Street of the breadth of fifty feet to the Broad Way, and that the lowest Price he would take for ten feet in breadth by 174 in Depth, being the quantity requisite, was eight hundred & fifty six Pounds That —— Duryee has a Lease for 31 feet in breadth in the Rear on Leonard Street, seventeen Years of which is unexpired & on which two wooden Tenements are erected & that he asks for the Tenements & Lease five hundred & fifty Pounds Whereupon the Board determined that the said Sums demanded as af^{d} were too high & ought not to be acceeded to

On a Report of the St Commissioners the Board consent that the neighborhood sink a Well in Greenwich Street at the Corner of Laight Street under the direction of the Aldn & Asstt of the Wd

The St Commissrs report "that they have examined the situation of the [219] Block between the Coffee House Slip and the Fly Market That Bowne, Eddy and others are filling in their respective Lots; but from the quantity of Earth requisite, it will require a length of time to Compleat the same, That the Ordinance for Compleating that distance has expired some time since, That Mr John Murray Junior has been served with the Order for Compleating the Wharf on the side of the Coffee House Slip when Compleat. the Heirs of Kip's Estate and Thomas Marston will immediately Commence filling in under the Bridge in front of their respective Lots.

The St Commissrs report "that agreable to the directions of the Board they have examined the Situation of the Water Lot belonging to the Corporation at Pecks Slip and are of Opinion it would be a public convenience to improve the same, either by carrying Piers on each side with a Bulkhead in front or carrying out the Pier on the Slip side with a Bulkhead—Your Commissioners are induced to believe it would be most for the Interest of the Board to compleat the latter, as it is probable, in the course of the next Year, the permanent Line will be compleated from Burling to Pecks Slips and supercede the necessity of a Pier on the southwest side of the Lot—To compleat the whole would cost about £3200, or the one Pier & Bulkhead £2400.

Whereupon the Board determine that it will be most expedient to carry out the two Piers agreable to the proposition in the said Report And that Aldn Strong with the St Commissioners take order for the due execution of the said Work accordingly

Ordered that Nicholas G Carmer be appointed a Weighmaster in this City

[220] Ordered that Mr Mayor issue his Warrts on the Treasr to pay.

issd	Nichs Lawrence for City Watch	$213 ⁹⁄₁₀₀
issd	Wm Van Waert for the like	213 ⁹⁄₁₀₀
issd	Magnus Beekman for the like	155⁸⁄₁₀₀
issd	Hugh Gobel for the like	155⁸⁄₁₀₀
issd	Thos Hazard for lighting Lamps	232²⁵⁄₁₀₀
issd	Latham Bunker for Lamp Oil	1180¹³⁄₁₀₀
issd	George Furman for repairs Lamps	50¹⁹⁄₁₀₀
issd	Edwd Meeks for Iron Work to Lamps	28⁴⁰⁄₁₀₀
issd	M: Ward & Co for printg Bye Laws	77

issd	Nichs Carmer for Repairs to Alms Hs	£177: 2: 4
issd	the same for the like to Bridewell	73: 6: 5
issd	the same for the Gaol	18:12: 2
issd	the same for City Hall	56:14: 9
issd	the same for the Battery	36: 2:—
issd	the same for Docks & Slips	368:19: 7
issd	the same for Watch Houses	74:10: 1
issd	the same for Wells & Pumps	308:12: 3
issd	the same for the Park	166:11: 3
issd	the same for Belle Vue Hospital	15: 0: 0
issd	the same for the public burys Gd	165: 7: 8
issd	the same for Engine Houses	79: 8:10
issd	the same for cartage &c	3:15: 3
issd	the same for his Services as Supt	124:16:—
issd	the same on Acct of Wells & Pumps	$1000

[221] City of New York } ss. At a Common Council held on Friday the 12th day of June 1801

Present/ Richard Varick Esqr Mayor
Richard Harison Recorder

John B Coles, Jotham Post, John Bogert, Joshua Barker } Esqrs Aldn

Philip Ten Eyck, Nichs Carmer, John P Ritter, Philip Brasher } Assists

Mr Mayor laid before the Bd the follows Letter from the Health Commissr vizt

" Health Office June 13th 1801. Sir/ It is well known to you that in the Course of the last Month Not less than sixty sick was Landed at the Marine Hospital from the Ships Venus and Eagle—The State Buildings at the Establishment are by no means Calculated to Accomodate more than fifty sick, the Commissioners of health had therefore to provide Temporary Sheds and Tents for the Extra Number—there are at present remaining of the Number Landed from the above mentioned Ships thirty Sick, in Addition to this Number there has been Landed from the Ship Penolope one hundred Sick that is Sixty more than can be provided for in the Hospital—In Addition to this mortifying Circumstance there will be wanted an Asylum to Cover three hundred Passengers Men, Women and Children from the inclemency of the Season, the Quarantine Laws expressly injoins that no person shall be permitted to leave the Quarantine Ground untill the expiration of a discretinal time to prevent the Danger which might arise from their Sickning in Consequence of their having been

on Board an infected Vessel, the funds Allowed by the State are insufficient to make the Necessary Accomodations, the Commissioners are therefore under the Necessity of applying to the Corporation to Aid them in the Erection of some Temporary Buildings to Shelter [222] those unhappy People from the Inclemency of the Weather.

I have the Honor to be your

Most Obedient Servant

Rich[d] Varick Esq[r] Mayor Rich[d] Furman C. H. C.

Whereupon the Board determined and Ordered the *the* Sum of $1500. be advanced to the Health Commissioners for the purposes mentioned in the said Letter, in expectation that the Legislature will provide for the repayment thereof. And that M[r] Mayor issue his Warr[t] on the Treasurer to pay the s[d] Money accordingly.

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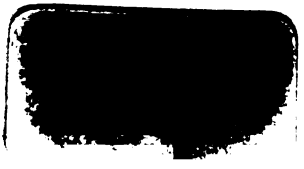

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